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TEXAN TO HELP PROBE TEA POT SCANDAL

New Highway Law Declared Unconstitutional

Vested Rights Impaired Says District Judge

GROESBECK, Texas, Jan. 30.—Judge A. M. Blackmon today declared the new highway law unconstitutional, thus upholding the petition for an injunction presented by the Commissioners Court of Limestone County to the 77th Judicial District Court.

Judge Blackmon's court ruled that chapter 75 of the 38th legislature, passed at the regular session of the Texas law making body, violated the provisions in Section 55, Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas in that it legislated that funds held incongrious to each other and was subject to numerous other criticisms levelled at the aforesaid law by the attorneys in the petition. Among those mentioned were the impairment of vesetd rights, a bridging of privilege attached thereto which had heretofore been acquired by Limestone county and road district number 15. Several of the provisions contained in the bill were not expressed in the charter.

The court ordered the tax collector to pay no more money of the funds derived from the registration of automobiles than he was authorized to pay out under the law as established period to the act of the 38th legislature.

The defendants gave notice of appeal.

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—Mrs. Charlotte Leland "merely imagined" the intimate relations she described between herself and Rev. Carl D. Case, pastor of the First Baptist church of Oak Park, Dr. H. Douglass Singer, alienist, testified in court here. Dr. Singer who studied the woman, during, before and after her testimony alleging intimate relations with Rev. Case said he believed she suffered from "delusions," and hallucinations.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 29.—Approximately 8000 arrests in three weeks as compared with 5000 during the entire month of January 1923 is the record of General Smedley D. Butler's reinvented policemen established since the director of public safety took office on January 7, according to police officials.

HOUSTON, Texas.—Marked "Shell for the chief," a man in jail here refuses to give his name. "Sure I know my name but I won't tell you," he told cooper.

Deadline next day to qualify a voter is 1924.

Hughes Demonstration Home Open To Public

Murderer Of Boy Seeks New Trial

Fights "Cookie Pushers" as U. S. Diplomats.

Hugh Gibson, long in the American diplomatic corps and now U. S Minister to Poland, appearing before the House Committee on Foreign Affairs urged passage of the Rogers bill for reorganization of the diplomatic and consular services. "White spats, tea drinkers and cookie pushers" should be eliminated, he asserted.

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 30.—H. G. Twyman, former commandant of the training school at Gatesville, convicted of murder in connection with the death of Dell Thames, 15, inmate of the school, and sentenced to ten years, will be given another trial. The court of appeals reversed the judgment of the district court. Twyman is charged with having choked the youth to death.

THE WORLD IN TABLOID

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 29.—Herman L. Kline, soldier stationed at Fort Benning, Ga., is a lonesome young man and admits it. In a letter to Mayor Louis Blaylock, Kline asked that official to have his plea for Texas girls to correspond with a lonesome soldier, placed in local newspapers. It was.

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—Will Hays, movie czar and postmaster general in the Harding cabinet never heard the Teapot Dome naval reserve lease discussed at any cabinet meeting he attended.

"I have no recollection what ever of the matter being discussed at any cabinet meeting which I attended," Hays said.

WICHITA FALLS, Texas.— F. D. Woodruff, pioneer oil operator was found dead in his home here late Tuesday. Woodruff apparently had been dead for several hours. Two gas fires were burning and a coroner's verdict decided that Woodruff had died from the effects of carbon monoxide gas given off by the stoves.

WHITERIGHT, Texas.—Officers today were investigating a mysterious attack on Frank Montgomery, farmer near here who was called from his home Monday night and shot at by a man in an automobile. None of the six shots struck Montgomery. A few hours later, Montgomery found a month old baby abandoned on his door steps.

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—Jane Harvey and Herbert Valentine were apprehended at the Union Station leaving for Washington in the first leap year elopement. Herbert said Jane proposed. Jane is 4 and Herbert 3½ years of age.

AMARILLO.—20,000 acres to be planted to cotton for coming season.

Will Question Her on Peace Plan.

Miss Esther Everett Lape, member in charge of the Bok Peace Plan Award, has been summoned to appear before a United States Senate Committee that will investigate the motive behind the Bok award of $100,000 for a plan whereby America may aid in the peace of the world. Miss Lape was Publicity Manager in Gifford Pinchot's campaign for Governor of Pennsylvania in 1922 and before that was prominent as a writer, teacher and propagandist.

Clarke Calls Klan 100 Per Cent Un-American In K. C.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 30.—If the Ku Klux Klan is allowed to continue as at present it will create a monarchy in the United States, E. Y. Clarke, former imperial wizard, declared in a speech here last night. Clarke was appealing for all Klansmen to attend the national conference in Atlanta, Feb. 26, at which overthrow of the present regime and reorganization will be attempted.

Clarke said the Klan is "100 per cent un-American."

SHOTS AND A BABY GREET WHITEWRIGHT MAN

WHITEWRIGHT, Teas.—Greeted by a fusillade of shots when he went to investigate noises in front of his home, Frank Montgomery found a month's old baby on his doorstep. A car from which the shots were fired sped away when he came to the door.

CHICAGO.—"Speed is what I need," Benjamin Betrowski laughed when police arrested him for speeding while drunk. "Fifteen days in jail is what you get," Judge O'Connell said.

Delphians In Charge Next Three Days Everyone Is Urged To See Model Place

The Hughes Demonstration Home is this afternoon thrown open for the inspection of the general public and everyone is urged to visit the place during the next three days. The ladies of the Delphian chapter have taken charge of the home thru these three days and will be glad to show everyone through the model structure, which is the center of many admiring eyes.

W. K. Boyd, President of the News Publishing Company, has worked hard to have everything in readiness and the home and its environs reflect painstaking care in every particular.

The structure contains five rooms, a hall, bath room, breakfast room and has assumed the proportions of an ideal home.

The John R. Corley and J. I. Riddle furniture companies have furnished the place for inspection purposes, while extra electrical appliances and conveniences have been placed on display during the next three days by the Comuunity Power and Light Company.

The arrangement of the home is especially attractive while nothing has been left undone to add to the convenience and comfort of those who may reside there. It represents a permanent asset to Mexia. The more like it in this city, it is well known, the better will the community be.

Not only are members of clubs, organizations and the local schools urged to inspect the property, but farmers and citizens living elsewhere.

The home was built for demonstration purposes, to show the cost of home building of this type and what such a place should rent for when completed.

It is doubtful if there is another home in Mexia the same size as this one which reflects modern ideals in a home more than in the Hughes demonstration home. The money for which was supplied by J. K. Hughes of this city, President of the Lions clubs.

The public will be received today, Thursday and Friday.

The ladies of the Delphian chapter have agreed to act as a reception committee to demonstrate the home. For this The News is to pay them $20.00 which Mr. Boyd points out is to be used in buying books for the Mexia Public Library. The home will be open each morning during this period and every afternoon until 5:30. Mr. Boyd states that he will arrange to have it open one night, possibly Friday night, and the public is also invited on that occasion.

A temporary plank walk has been laid to the Ross Avenue pavement.

In front of the home are concrete sidewalks, which also lead to the garage. The lot has been beautifully terraced and outside conveniences added, easily making the place home within the $4500 class and which is to rent for a little less than $50.

Whether one contemplates building a home or not, he is urged to see the place.

The committees in charge are as follows:

Wednesday afternoon: Mrs. Sanford Smith, Mrs. T. H. Hickman and Miss Corinne Desenberg.

Thursday morning: Miss Catherene McGrail, Mrs. Wilmer Hamilton.

Thursday afternoon: Mrs. Ed Measles, Mrs. Wyatt Hayter.

Friday morning: Mrs. Ben Howard and Mrs. Grey Forrest.

Friday afternoon: Mrs. T. F. Morrow and Mrs. Lawrence Hearne.

Former Cabinet Member Says He Accepts Duty

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 30.—Gregory announced that he had accepted appointment as special counsel to investigate the oil scandal and will leave for Washington tonight. He was notified of his appointment by President Coolidge, who called him over the long distance telephone. The friends of Gregory say that although he is a democrat he will not adhere to party lines in the investigation.

Silas H. Strawn, of Chicago, was named as Gregory's associate in the inquiry, according to dispatches here from Washington.

Anything that ought to be said about the matter will come from Washington," Gregory said.

Gregory stated he received a telegram from the attorney general's department Tuesday inviting him to come to Washington and that he would leave tonight "to see what they want me to do."

Gregory is scheduled to have a conference with State Attorney General Keeling this morning. This conference will be concerning Gregory's services as counsel for the State in the United States Supreme Court litigation over the Texas-Oklahoma boundary.

U. S. Concludes Oil Fraud Cases

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 30.—With the sentencing today of Butler Perryman, president of the Blue Bird Oil Company, who pleaded guilty to charges of using the mails to defraud in promotion of the concern, the Government's prosecution of oil fraud cases in South Texas will be at an end.

Perryman is scheduled to receive his penalty from Federal Judge J. C. Hutchinson at 10 a. m. in Federal District Court.

S. E. J. Cox and E. O. Glenn, only promoters who elected to fight the charges were found guilty late Monday and sentenced yesterday. Seven others implicated in frauds pleaded guilty and have been sentenced.

George E. B. Peddy, who has been acting as special prosecutor for the Government, plans to leave Houston within a few days for Washington where he will lead his fight to contest the senatorial seat of Earle B. Mayfield, victor over him in the elections of 1922.

FIGHTS AND FIGHTERS

NEW YORK.—Terry Marin, Providence bantamweight, and Bobby Wolgast, Philadelphia, went 12 rounds to a draw.

BOSTON.—Johnny Wilson, former middleweight champion, won a 10-round decision from Pal Reed, Boston light-heavyweight.

ATLANTA.—Young Ctribling, Columbus, Ga., light heavyweight, outpointed Billy Shade, California, in a slow 10-round bout.

MONTREAL.—Jack Johnson, former heavyweight champion, has signed to meet Homer Smith, Michigan heavyweight here on Feb. 19. Johnson passed the medical examination.

MacDonald And French Premier Work Together

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—The exchange of personal letters between Premiers Poincare and MacDonald, in an effort to smooth out the differences between the two countries is being watched with great interest, as possibly denoting a new era in diplomacy. It is recalled that after years of formal exchange between the United States and the Mexican governments, President Harding conceived the idea of writing personally to President Obregon to get at the root of the difficulty with the result of recognition being extended.

LIEUTENANT GRIFFIS FREED AFTER SERVING PERIOD FOR TRYING TO KIDNAP SLACKER

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—Corliss Hoover Griffis, former American army lieutenant, who was jailed in Gremany following his attempt to kidnap Grover C. Bergdoll, draft dodger, was unconditionally released, a State Department official was advised. Griffis served several months of a twenty one months jail sentence.

Repbulicans Are Called To Meet Early in February

BROWNSVILLE, Teas, Jan. 30.—R. B. Creager, republican national committeeman, issued a call for a meeting of the Texas republican executive committee February 4. About fifty leading republicans were invited to meet with the committee.

CLEBURNE, Texas.—Three million dollars will be spent by the Santa Fe railway on extending and improving the company's properties here, according to plans of the company recently announced. Nearly 700 employes will be added to the company's payroll of 1800 when the enlargement of the shops is completed.

MRS. OATES FIRST WOMAN TO ANNOUNCE FOR OFFICE IN COUNTY OF LIMESTONE

Mrs. Lady Oates, in asking to be elected County Treasurer, is the first woman to enter the race for office in Limestone County this year.

She succeeds to J. D. Arrington of this place and is a member of one of the pioneer families of the county, a long and honorable record of faithful service and at all times she has made friends because of her pleasant manner in dealing with the public.

Mrs. Oates is not making the race simply because she is a woman, but on merits which the citizenship knows she possesses in meeting the responsibilities of the important office and the confidence which she now holds and which she aspires to hold again.

"Low Political Motive" Is Charged By Creager

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, Jan. 30.—R. B. Creager received a formal reply [illegible] charges that he [illegible] land frauds in [illegible] Grande valley. Heflin [illegible] connection with the [illegible] motives" Creager [illegible] while affair rose over his efforts to protect legitimate land companies from persecution by the Department of Argiculture. The department, Creager said, issued a letter over emphasizing the valley's defects, without calling attention to its good points, and he and others protested and had the letter withdrawn. He wanted the valley pictured in its true light, he said.

Mexia Chamber Of Commerce To Give $1,000 In Prizes For The Best Cotton Production To Farmers Of Section

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Mexia Chamber of Commerce held in the office in the City Hall on Tuesday afternoon, January 29, it was decided to circulate a petition to raise a sum sufficient to give $1,000 in prizes for the best cotton production.

The agricultural committee composed of Cox Brodnax, chairman, Roy H. Stokes, J. W. Stubenrauch was given charge of the contest and the secretary was instructed to proceed at once to raise the necessary subscription. It was decided that this being the first year that prizes of this kind were offered, that it would be wise to limit the prizes to cotton production only, and in competing for the prizes, it was tentatively decided that tracts of five acres should be taken as basis of competition, and that the prizes would range from $250.00 (the capital prize) down to $25.00, making 16 prizes in all.

The rules of the contest will be left to the agricultural committee and will be promulgated at as early a date as possible.

A resolution was passed endorsing the establishment of the Mexia Weekly Herald and a plan was offered the Chamber of Commerce by the Mexia Weekly Herald, making a very low rate on club subscriptions, and simultaneously with the list of subscriptions on the cotton prize, the secretary will circulate a subscription list having as its object complimentary subscriptions to the Mexia Weekly Herald to every farmer on the Mexia rural routes. o

A resolution was passed declaring all the pastors of the city to be honorary members of the Chamber of Commerce and the secretary was instructed to so advise them.

A. H. Berry was present and submitted a letter from Hon. Luther A. Johnson, representative in congress, regarding the introduction of a bill in congress providing for an appropriation to build a postoffice in Mexia. Mr. Johnson requested certain information in this letter which the secretary was instructed to furnish him, and the secretary was instructed to thank Mr. Johnson for his interest in the situation and to co-operate with him in every way possible in his effort to secure this appropriation.

Medical Experts To Examine Fall And Report Condition

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—The Senate committee decided to appoint three medical experts to determine the condition of A. B. Fall. This follows the testimony of Fall's physicians, who said he is suffering from nervous exhaustion. Senator Walsh said unless the Senate confirmed the appointment of special counsel, he would oppose paying them out of the $100,000 appropriation recommended for the task.

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Letters from People

STATEMENT OF GUY HERRING

Acting under the advice of my attorneys I have heretofore refrained from making a public statement regarding the criminal charge filed against me in court. It is true the attorneys for the State of Texas have dismissed said case but I have not been paid by the Farmers State Bank the money I deposited in the bank, and a civil suit is still pending in court over the money so deposited, and for this reason my attorneys still advise that I withhold my evidence until the trial of the civil case; however, they have assented for me to state that I will offer for probate at the March term, A. D. 1921 the following mentioned wills:

1. Will of my father W. H. Herring to my mother, Mrs. M. J. Herring dated August 10th, 1904, in which among other things, he uses this language: "I give to my wife, M. J. Herring all my live stock, one hundred acres of land and thirty thousand dollars in cash. The one hundred acres of land above referred to is located across the creek and known to us as the Jos Rich land. We have given all the children certain portions of our estate except the youngest child, the title to his portion however is by this instrument vested in his mother and will be handled by her in her own way, as a mother's love is the best guide."

2. Will of my mother, Mrs. M. J. Herring, to me dated February 7, 1919, in which, among other things, she states as follows:

"Fourth. Guy Herring being the youngest child, and a mere lad at the time of his father's death, there was no provision made for him before his father died."

"Fifth. Therefore, I hereby give and bequeath to Guy Herring all the money I may have at my death, the amount of which at the present time is forty-five thousand ($45,000.00) and no 100 dollars in currency, all of which is now in my possession."

The criminal case against me was not dismissed in time for me to give proper notice to the February term of Probate Court and for this reason the probating of said wills cannot be had until the March term.

Now, I wish to state that I am absolutely innocent of the charge that was made against me and I have been ready and anxious for a trial in court ever since the same was so made, and I am still ready and anxious to be heard in any civil proceedings that may be necessary for the recovery of the money deposited by me in said bank.

I was not connected with said bank at the time of the alleged loss nor had I been for several months prior thereto and I heard nothing of such claim of loss by the bank until several weeks afterwards.

When the evidence I have in my possession is seen and heard in court I have no doubt of the result of the trial. I am not permitted to say more at this time, however, I ask you to please withhold your judgement in the controversy until you know the facts that will be proven.

Humbly submitted,
Guy Herring.

OIL

The D. K. well 6 miles southeast of Teague is reported gassing with 3000 feet of mud in the hole. This well, as will be remembered, due to financial difficulties among which was the need of casing, was shut down above the sand strata. After casing had been perfected the 6¾ casing and tubing was finished to complete the well. It is expected to resume work ten days from the ground were ready for the casing to come up through 3000 feet of mud was noted. In the meantime the casing was "air" for a water gas of the gas. This gas is present in good quantity. The drilling, Little, proposes to clean out the hole to the bottom of 8-inch casing, heretofore set, to a depth of 1628 feet and it is thought that no doubt something may ensue as the gas is thought to come from a very strong showing made at around 3000 feet before the shut-down at which time the driller recommended casing before going further, in fact, asked that casing be provided or get another man on the job. This well has long been drilling, slightly over three years—even before the Rogers well at Mexia, and at depths of 600, 800, 1200, 1600, 1800, 2200 and at the bottom of the hole, encountered many good shows of oil and a strong gas pressure, but as has been the case in Freestone county, heretofore, shallow pay wasn't sought. Only gusher sands were wanted. If a well could blow 3000 feet of mud, tools and make 10,000 barrels or less, it was sought, otherwise "no good."

The driller, being one of the old school, firmly believes in the well and will use every known effort to coax the well into production as it has shown heretofore. 6⅝ casing is being hauled to the location Wednesday and as a result thereof, it is reported that much lease activity is noted, mostly on the "q.t." A big play is expected for this well is 3 miles south of the Green well which for a time seemed to be about to enter the production column after a strong show of both gas and some oil.

Shirley and Gillespie interests in their Hackney-Weaver No. 1, 4 miles northwest of Teague is reported showing strong gas at about 1700 feet and as the bit penetrates deeper shows stronger signs. A core was to have been taken Tuesday night, but as yet, the results have not been learned. This locality has been very favorably reported by geologists, it has been learned from outside reliable sources and a big play is expected to ensue. These interests also plan a second test well within a short time, location, which will be announced.

The Keechi Petroleum company in their No. 1 Pickens, 20 miles southeast of Teague is reported to be ready to fish lost tools out of the hole Monday evening. On bailing the top of the fluid, each bail full shows quantities of oil and the early completion is expected very soon. These interests have made location for another well, to the west, between this well and the L. A. Smith No. 1 Edwards ranch. This well is located in the Saline formation found throughout the south and southeast portions of Freestone county and much shallow oil has been found but never tested and it is firmly believed that in the near future, shallow pools will be uncovered.

The Green well is reported drilling in very hard formation around 3800 feet.

No Longer Dread Pimples

No better news could be given people who suffer the embarrassment and disappointments these skin disfigurers subject them to than the announcement made by the world's best known skin specialists that a few years after the universal use of Black and White Ointment recently perfected will show a positive decline in such skin diseases as pimples, blotches, eczema, rash, tetter, breaking out, etc.

The reduction is already coming true, judging from the tremendous demand for this Black and White Ointment. It is selling at the unprecedented rate of nearly two million packages a year, and dealers everywhere are enthusiastically recommending it to their friends and customers. It is economically priced, in liberal packages. The 50c size contains three times as much as the 25c size.—(Adv.)

Leasing activities are becoming evident in the east part of the county. Geologists have just finished a survey on the block of acreage held by the Poole-McDaniels interests, and location made in the Butler area which has been boosted by Government surveys as likely for oil.

1924 will no doubt see the uncovering of several fileds in Freestone county.

Five New Tests Spudded; Three Flow at Laredo

LAREDO, Texas, Jan. 30.—With three producers added to the Laredo field last week and five new tests spudded together with the new posted price of 75 cents per barrel at the well by all pipe line companies, and with the probability of another boost of 10 cents per barrel within the next few days, the oil situation can be said to be improving rapidly. At this time Laredo has representatives of most of the major oil companies on the ground who are here for the purpose of investing in this territory. Last week the Magnolia Petroleum company purchased the holdings of True White et al and considerable acreage from the Wolcott company. The producing well and 40 acres belonging to Baker and Finley has been sold while many other large deals for proven acreage is pending. After the long period of depression for the oil man the present pulse of the situation is very encouraging. At this time there are two pipe lines running to the Aviator pool with the probability of the third line being added at an early date. This competitive buying is causing top prices to be paid to the local producers who were not getting top prices when only a single line ran through the field.

In the Schott pool, the Magnolia Petroleum company added another producer to its list, which now totals 16. No. 18 is being drilled in and from indications looks as if it will be a good producer. The new test of the Southwest Texas Oil company on survey 1008 which was spudded in last Thursday has reached the depth of 900 feet. The Carnahan Producing and Refining company test No. 9 which was drilled to about 2300 feet, has been abandoned. No. 56 of this same company is setting casing.

In the Aviator pool, G. W. Killan has spudded in No. 1 test on the Albercas grant owned by A. M. Bruni, while the Texical Oil company is drilling below 1750 feet, having gone below the depth that is usually productive at that particular point in the pool.

ROBBINS-HAMPTON

Last Saturday evening, E. J. Robbins of Groesbeck and Miss Ora Mae Hampton of this city were quietly married by Rev. W. B. Andrews, pastor of the First Methodist church. A few intimate friends accompanied them to the parsonage where they were married; the ring ceremony of the church being used. The bride is well known in Mexia where she has a host of friends won to her by her lovely charm. The groom is known throughout the county, being in the service of Limestone county at the Court House. They will make their home at Groesbeck. The News joins friends in extending congratulations.

JIM PRICKETT TO LEAD MEXIA LIONS FRIDAY

Jim Prickett will be in charge of the program for the weekly luncheon of the Lions Club at the Majestic Cafe next Friday. He promises a very interesting and instructive program having for its general theme, Physical Culture. As this subject is attracting more and more interest at this time its selection for the central theme of the next program is understood to be a timely choice.

PEN, PEN, WHO HAS THE PEN?

A tax collector has other duties besides taking in the money. He has to supply the pen occasionally and in rendering his fellow citizens this service Monday, Joe Arrington lost a Christmas gift fountain pen in the shuffle. He states that he will deeply appreciate it, if the one who unconsciously carried it away will return it. It was a Christmas gift from a very close friend, he says, and for that reason he is very anxious to secure its return.

THE WEATHER

East Texas.—Tonight partly cloudy, showers in the southeast; cooler in south. Thursday partly cloudy.

West Texas.—Tonight fair and colder in south. Thursday generally fair.

Local News

H. W. Dudley was here from Waco Monday.

G. F. Dyer was here Tuesday from Texarkana.

Maurice Landrum was here Monday from Waco.

Madison Holland, of Waco was in city Monday.

A. A. Dennison, of Texarkana, was here Monday.

Paul L. Brooks, of Corsicana, was in the city Tuesday.

Mrs. Rush Allison is up today after a brief illness.

W. C. Lamb was a visitor to the city from Navasota.

Paul F. Griffith was a visitor to Mexia Monday from Waco.

H. S. Wofford was a business visitor to the city from Coolidge Tuesday.

Mrs. J. K. Hughes is reported better today, after a few days illness in her home here.

John F. Maddox spent a couple of days of this week in Fort Worth visiting his daughter, Miss Josie Lee, who is there in school.

CREAM CLEARS A STUFFED UP HEAD

If your nostrils are clogged and your head is stuffed because of nasty catarrh or a cold, apply a little pure, antiseptic cream into your nostrils. It penetrates through every air passage, soothing and healing swollen, inflamed membranes and you get instant relief.

Try this. Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm at any drug store. Your clogged nostrils open right up; your head is clear; no more hawking or snuffling. Count fifty. All the stuffiness, dryness, struggling for breath is gone. You feel fine.—(Adv.)

Too Late to Classify

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WANTED—Confinement cases by experienced nurse. Best of reference. Phone 557-J. 30A30

A CROW will lay in the summer. Radley's White Leghorns lay now. Come out on the Reunion Grounds Road and see for yourself. A few hatching eggs for sale now. J. W. Radley White Leghorn Farm. Route 1, box 6, Mexia. 30J4

WHITE LEGHORN hatching eggs for sale. J. W. Radley White Leghorn Farm. Route 1 box 6, Mexia. 30J4

LOST—Two black horse mules, seven and eight years old, 16 hands high, weight 1100 lbs. No blemishes. Also one brown horse mule five years old, 16 hands high, stripes over fore shoulder. One bay mare 16 hands high, weight 950 lbs. 6 years old. Notify Marvin Cogdell, at Mexia, Texas, phone 290. Reward. 30D3

Mrs. Jesse McLendon has this week joined a great many who are ill in this community. Her early and complete recovery is hoped for.

DO YOU WONDER?

Asks This Lady, "That I'm a Believer in Cardui?"—Had Been So Weak She Had to Go to Bed.

Osawatomie, Kans.—Mrs. E. E. Hoast, formerly of Illinois, residing here, says: "We moved to this state eleven years ago, and I had good health for a long while; and then some year or so ago I had a bad sick spell. . . .

"I got so weak I couldn't go. I couldn't stand on my feet at all. I had to go to bed. I suffered a great deal. I was so nervous I felt I couldn't live. I tried medicines, and everything; had the best of attention, yet I wasn't able to get up. I lay for three months, not able to do anything.

"My husband is a bill poster and has circulars distributed. One day there chanced to be a Ladies Birthday Almanac among his circulars. I read it, and told some of the family to get me a bottle of Cardui. . . .

"I quit all other medicines and took it (Cardui) faithfully, and two weeks from the time I began to take Cardui I was out of bed—better than for months.

"I kept it up and continued to improve until I was a well woman.

"Do you wonder that I am a believer in Cardui? I certainly am. And I am sure there is no better tonic made for women than Cardui." NC-151

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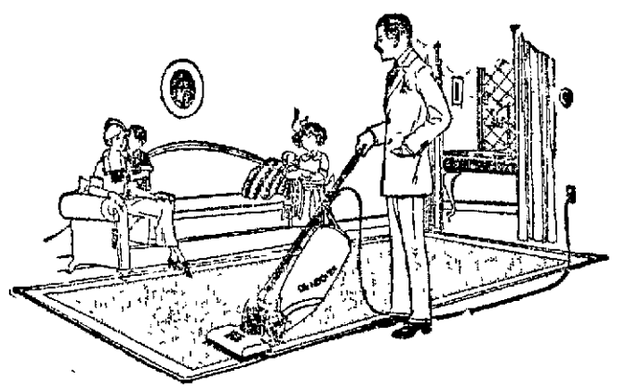

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Letters from People

THE HIGHWAY TAX LAW

There has been so much said recently for and against the present highway law that I feel like saying something more about it.

Every person that owns a car knows now that he is somewhat interested in the road law. If you want a man to sit up and take notice, just mention a tax to him and he will be interested immediately.

The tax question is the greatest question that confronts the American government today. It is also the greatest question that confronts our state government. The fact is, it has always been a live question in this country and in all other countries where the people are allowed a share in the government.

In our state, there are so many institutions to be supported by taxation and so many people clamoring for larger appropriations and higher salaries, that our legislators are continually looking around for some way to increase the taxes. Of course every fellow that has an ax to grind can see the absolute necessity of having the appropriation to his institution made larger and the d——l of it is, he always manages to make the legislators see it too.

I live on a little sandy land farm out here. I can think of many things that I need, some of which are absolutely necessary on this farm.

I can think of many other things that it would be nice for me to have; but I can't buy these things. I must do without, not only the little luxuries but many of the things that I actually need.

If I were to borrow money to buy all these things with, there would soon be a deficiency somewhere. People would soon say that I was either not honest or not a business man. There are many things that we can do without, and it is about time the members of the legislature were finding it out. There must be a limit to the rate of taxation somewhere. Fifteen years ago the taxes on this little farm was less than one-fourth of what they are now.

I believe a tax on automobiles for road purposes is right. It is certainly inflicting the punishment on the right fellow. I am inclined to believe that the punishment is too great. It would be fine if every hard working man could have a car for himself and family to enjoy; but they are not all able to own one. Now since the tax on the cars are being increased, and the taxes on the gas have made the fuel more costly, there are many poor people that can never hope to have a car to enjoy.

What will the ending be? If the next legisuature is as eager to raise taxes for roads as the last one was, every old farmer in this country will be required to buy a seal to put on his old wagon, and every washer-woman will have to have a seal on her old piece of a buggy.

This wagon tax was mentioned during the last legislature and I have no doubt but that our representative would have voted for it.

He says now that if he were running for the legislature again he would favor the highway law and have it in his platform. I think, however, that the people in this county have learned to vote for the man and not for his platform.

This paper has had a great deal to say recently in favor of highway laws. Among other things it says that Limestone county has received something like one half million dollars from the state and federal road fund and have paid to that fund about $75,000.

I think it is fair just here to mention the fact that Limestone county will pay about $90,000 in auto taxes this year and next year and every year from now on and forever, Amen.

In the Mexia Daily News of Monday, Jan. 21 on the editorial page, I noticed an article headed: "Three Kinds of Roads in Texas."

It says: "Roads built for local needs should be paid for by the county. Highways that constitute a part of a state highway system should be be paid for by the state and the county. Interstate highways should be paid for by the county and the state and the federal government."

Now, Mr. Editor, let us look into this affair and see where the money comes from. If the county builds the road the people pay for it. If the state builds the road the people pay for it and if the federal government builds the road the people ultimately pay the bill. So when we talk of the state giving us money for road building, we can figure that the state must first collect it from its citizens and there is no getting around it.

Let us look into the manner of securing a state road through a county. I have just finished reading an article in The Dallas Morning News that illustrates the process. There were delegations from the following counties asking the highway commission to grant aid for roads in said counties; Potter county; Hall county; Fisher county; Jones county; Callahan; Hays; DeWitt; Karnes; Wise; Liberty, Chambers; Fort Bend and several other counties.

The following paragraph appeared in said article: "Delegations were present asking a change of designation in the road from Austin to Llano and Mason. Formally it had been routed via Roundrock to Llano. The old designation from Austin through Leander to Llona and thence to Mason is requested. Judge A. S. Walker from Dallas, who owns a large farm near Leander, was here in support of the new petition."

Now I am guessing that since Judge A. S. Walker, a very prominent lawyer of Dallas, wants the road to go by his farm, that the commission will decide in his favor. It may cost $100,000 more but Judge Walker's influence may be worth something. There may be 100 farmers on the other route that need the road but I have found that a petition for little farmers don't get anywhere at Austin. It takes an influential politician or some wealthy bankers who have some kind of a pull, to get a favor out of these Bureaus at the capitol.

If all this money that was spent by these delegations in going to Austin to beg road money, had spent for road building, it would have built several miles of road. But that is the only way to get aid for roads. You must get on your knees before that commission and beg like a hungry pup before you get anything. They even created a Dallas delegation with slight consideration at one time; but when they found that Dallas was determined to know how much maintenance fund they were to get before Dallas would turn loose the auto tax for this year, then they made an agreement with them.

A delegation went from Cherokee county asking for aid for a road; but Mr. Hubbard, the chairman of the commission, would not hear them. Why? Because Cherokee county would not let the tax collector send the auto tax to Austin until the validity of the law was tested. So you see the commission is using its big stick on the people already. The idea is that you must bow to the commission and grant them some favor before they grant you anything.

Then the Mexia Daily News thinks there is no danger of graft in this commission. Is it not a fact that the governors of several states have been ousted from office because of graft? Is it not a fact that there are investigations on nearly all the time in the states and even in the Congress of the United States because of graft? I am not saying that these fellows at Austin are grafters. I don't know a one of them. If I knew they were crooked I would be a fool to mention it. If there were complaints made against them they would appoint some of their own number to audit the books and whoever made the complaint would be branded the biggest liar in seven states.

I do not know whether there are

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any grafters among them or not, but I do say that there is danger of graft in any institution where there is so much money handled; and those high up in society are no more free of evil than the evil class. It is said that American society is like a barrel of dutch cider. There is drugs at the bottom, scum at the top and the middle part represents purity. I do not know to which class the commission belongs.

I am opposed to the Highway law in its entirety. I do not think it just for the people in one county to pay taxes to build roads in another in every instance.

I am opposed to the new Highway law as a whole. The auto tax part of it may be all right. I do not think it just, in every instance for people of one county to build roads in another. There are wealthy communities in Texas that have absolutely refused to vote a tax to connect up the highways. Other communities have voted a heavy tax on themselves to build highways. They have bonds against their property that it will take years to pay off. Do you think it just for such communities to have to pay a tax now to build roads for neighboring communities? Dallas county has spent millions of dollars in building permanent roads. The people of Dallas had pride enough to want the roads and money enough to build them. Now, under the present law, they must pay a heavy tax to build roads in other counties. Some day that ought to help the people that are not able to build roads. Cities and counties are as individuals. Some have more pride and more thrift than others.

If you are going to exact money from the wide awake, energetic and thrifty counties and give it to the pauper counties; then let us carry this socialistic ides a little further and take the money away from the hard working and thrifty farmer and give it to his pauper neighbor.

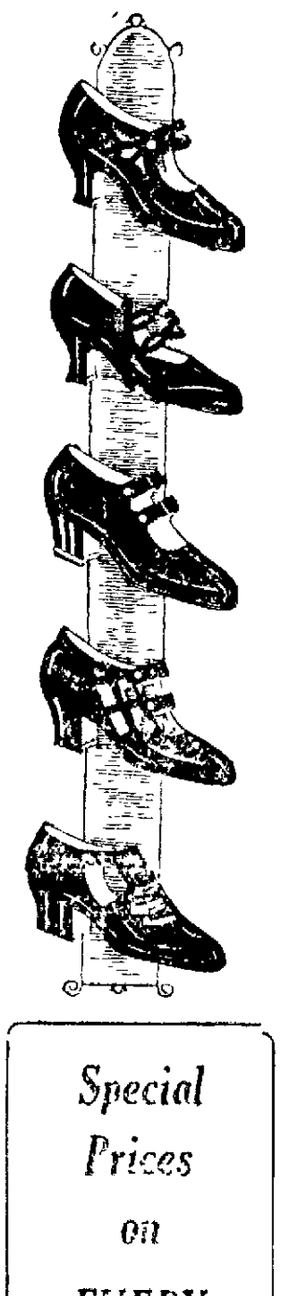
I hope the highway law will be found unconstitutional. I believe each county can build its own roads more economically. I believe in local self government. Powers once delegated to some bureau at Austin will never be returned. Taxes are never lowered. We must learn to do without some things we would like to have, and I do hope the next legislature will be composed of highpowered, patriotic men who have pride enough in our state to try to get it out of debt. Not men who can hatch up some scheme to raise the taxes, but men who have the courage and strength of character to say no to those who want appropriations.

H. W. Tolson.

FEBRUARY SHOE CLEARANCE SALES

Begins Thursday January 31st.

ENDS THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7th



Our Annual February Clearance Sale of Shoes will begin tomorrow. This is an event of great importance to the populace of Mexia for it affords many lines of high quality shoes at prices which are quite a good deal lower than you ordinarily pay.

We have carefully gone through our stock and find many lines of good, stylish shoes with only two or three pairs remaining of a number. These odd numbers you will find on sale much cheaper than you may expect. We do this in order to clear our stocks and make room for the incoming Spring numbers. It will be sound economy for men and women to visit our store the opening day for it may be that just the shoe that you want will be on sale at prices which mean dollars saved by you.

Ladie's Shoes

—One lot of Preston B. Keith Sport Oxfords in brown calf and brown suede, $8.50 values for **$5.95**

—Log Cabin Brown Suede, short vamp, Spanish heel, ankle strap. Formerly priced $11.95; February Clearance sale.. **$9.95**

—Cinamon Brown Suede, short vamp, Spanish heel, formerly priced $12.00; February Clearance Sale price..... **$8.95**

—Log Cabin Brown Suede, brown calf trimmedium vamp, baby Louis heel. Formerly priced $12.00; February Clearance Sale price **$8.95**

—Black Satin, one strap, suede trim, medium vamp, baby Louis heel Formerly priced $11.50; February Clearance Sale.. **$7.95**

—Black Satin, three ankle straps, medium vamp, Spanish heel. Formerly priced $8.50; February Clearance Sale price.. **$5.95**

—Black Satin, patent leather trim, one strap, medium vamp, box heel. Formerly priced $8.95; February Clearance Sale price **$6.95**

—Log Cabin Brown Suede, one trap, Otter brown trimmings, short vamp, Baby Louis heel, formedly priced $9.95; February Clearance Sale price..... **$7.95**

—Brown Kid one strap Log Cabin Brown, Suede trim, short vamp, Baby Louis heel. Formerly priced $9.95; February Clearance Sale price..... **$7.95**

—Log Cabin Brown Suede and Satin Combination, one strap, short vamp, Baby Louis heel. Formerly priced $9.95; February Clearance Sale price..... **$6.95**

—One lot of black satin, one strap, Baby Louis heels. $8.00 to $9.00 values; February Clearance Sale price..... **$5.95**

—Sport oxfords in good standard brands, $7.50 and $8.50 values, will be on sale during February Clearance Sale at... **$4.95**

—One lot of E. P. Reed Slippers in brown and black oxfords and straps, $10.00 values will be on sale during our February Clearance Sale at **$3.95**

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Dollar Day Thursday

Again comes our Dollar Day Sale, offering many lines of merchandise at unusual savings. Come to our store tomorrow and partake in this feast.

Hope Domestic 6 Yds $1

—Tomorrow we are offering you this reliable grade or hope domestic at 6 yards for..... **$1**

Percale 8 Yds $1

—Just at the time that you need percale for your spring sewing we offer you this 36 inch lot in a nice range of wanted patterns at 8 yards for **$1**

Silk Pongee Yd $1

—One lot of beautiful quality pure silk pongee in natural color. Going on sale Dollar Day at per yard **$1**

Madras 3 Yds $1

—One lot of madras for making shirts, nice assotment of patterns which are sure to please you, 3 yards for **$1**

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—Thursday we will sell one lot of ladies hats originally selling up to $14.95 for..... **$4.95**

Spring Hats

—A large assotment of ladies spring hats in the latest colors and shapes. Very specially priced at— **$4.95** and **$5.95**

Men's Shirts

—One lot of men's wool olive drab army style shirts, our regular $4.95 values, very special for our Dollar Day sale at each..... **$3.50**

—Our regular $3.50 values will be sold at..... **$2.50**

Flannel Shirts

—Men's wool flannel shirts in a pretty assortment of patterns with attached collars and without collars. $4.95 values, very special for Dollar Day Sale at each..... **$3.50**

—$3.50 values, will go at each **$2.50**

Shirts and Drawers $1

—Men's heavy ribbed shirts and drawers, a good grade, very special for Dollar Day Sale at 2 for **$1**

Night Shirts $1

—One lot of men's outing night shirts made in a pretty assortment of colors andn of good grade material. Very special for Dollar Day sale at each **$1**

French Ginghams 3 Yds $1

—A beautiful lot of imported French ginghams in a wide range of colors most desirable for Spring sewing. Tomorrow very special at 3 yards for **$1**

Ginghams 6 Yds $1

—A big lot of good quality ginghams for making aprons and dresses. Assorted colors and widths. Very special for Thursday only at 6 yards **$1**

Ginghams 5 Yds $1

—32-inches wide in all the new spring patterns. Tomorrow very special at 5 yards for..... **$1**

Unbleached Domestic

—One lot of the very best unbleached domestic going in this Dollar Day Sale Thursday at 6 yards for ..... **1$**

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—We are offering for Dollar Day only this lot of bleached domestic free from fillings at 8 yards for **$1**

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—A beautiful lot of cretonnes in assorted patterns that are sure to please you. Regularly selling at 50c per yard, tomorrow very special at 3 yards for..... **$1**

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Percale

—Percale in the new Spring colors and stripes. This new lot is 36 inches wide annd an unusual value at 5 yards—

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Towels

—One lot of large size towels 20x36, very best quality, tomorrow very best quality, tomorrow very special at 5 for—

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—Boy's khaki unionalls in a good quality and well made, very special for Dollar Day at each

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—One lot of men's knit unoin suits, regularly selling at $1.50, tomorrow very special at each

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COURT HOUSE NEWS

Business is a little dull around the court house this week, as the district court has adjourned for the term and candidates are mostly out among the people.

The tax collectors office, however was busy with lines of people standing awaiting their turns to step up and get their receipt. About 5000 poll tax receipts had been issued up to noon Tuesday, but this number will be materially increased before Thursday night when the time limit will expire.

In the county clerk's office there is a new addition to the clerical force, Miss Pauline McClellan of Coolidge, being now on duty.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

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Clyde C. Webb and Louise Hay.
Timothy Gilbert and Lillie Willis.
E. J. Robbins and Miss Ora Mae Hampton.
Dopha Lee and Pearl Roden.

BIRTHS FOR THE WEEK

To Mr. and Mrs. Simon Castleberry of Thornton, Jan. 20, a girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. Walter Atlee Tyus of Mexia, Jan. 21, a boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Clark Ayers of Kosse, Jan. 21, a boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jas. B. Cox of Lavender, Jan. 21, a girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ray of near Groesbeck, Jan. 21, a boy.

Only one death was recorded the past week, being that of Andy Holloway, colored, aged 60, of Mexia, who died Jan. 20.

One civil case was filed in the county court the past week, being Washer Bros. Corp., vs H. H. Sanders.

Mrs. Cora Ferguerson, county superintendent says she has been too busy visiting the schools over the county the past few days to devote much time to her canvas for re-election, but she wants her friends to remember that she is in the race and hopes to win.

Mrs Lula Oates, county treasurer, is kept busy paying off when court is in session, but she thinks she will have a little time later on to see the people and tell them that she wants the office for another term.

THAT DOLLAR BILL

The story of the one dollar bill, printed in 1917 to relieve an existing shortage of currency, appears to have been set at rest. The contention of zealots that certain engraving on the bill was designed with the idea of making the note Catholic propaganda has been dispelled by former Secretary of the Treasurer McAdoo, who states that the plates were the same as were used in 1863, when the note issue was first authorized.

It is well to have this matter cleared up. Stories of this sort grow with the telling and out of just such trivial and unsubstantiated reports often grow religious prejudices the ultimate results of which cannot be predicted.

There are days when it's as hot in Stockholm, Sweden, as it is in Rome or Fadrid.

MARSHALL.—Campaign launched for construction of $50,000 hospital.

Having Trouble Getting A Man Electrocutioner

HUNTSVILLE, Texas, Jan. 30—Wanted—An electrocutioner.

Members of the State Prison Commission have hung out this sign after several weeks of vain effort to find a man qualified to act as Warden of the state penitentiary and electrocute condemed prisoners.

Meanwhile the span of life of four men who are to be shocked into eternity on Feb. 8 may be lengthened again thru the inability of the officials to secure an official "butcher."

Twice before the men have made preparations to meet death. The first time they were respited when installation of the electric chair in the prison was not completed.

The second time the resignation of Warden R. F. Coleman blocked their death. Governor Neff, rather than force a new warden to kill the men on his first day at the prison, granted them a repreieve until February 8.

Members of the commission have appealed to the Governor to select a man. They say they are at their rope's end.

Meanwhile in the death chamber of the Gaunt Gray prison here the yawning arms of the death chair stretch towards "Death Row" where the span of four men's lives hangs on the answer to the advertisement:

"Wanted—An electrocutioner."

VICTORIA, B. C.—The mineral production of British Columbia for 1923 shows an increase of 12.8 per cent over that of 1922.

ITS A BOY

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Evers are rejoicing over the arrival Sunday of a beautiful baby boy. Congratulations.

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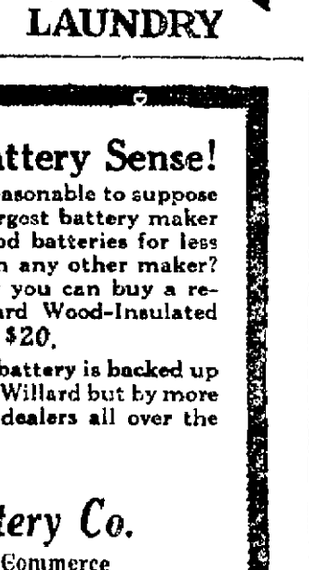

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NEW-WAY LAUNDRY

To Kill The Boll Weevil by Machin'ry

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 30—A new machine now being constructed at New Orleans will be tried out in Dallas county this summer in an effort to eradicate the boll wevil, according to E. L. Barber, of the Barber Entomological Laboratories at New Orleans.

Thirty-five experimental machines are being constructed at New Orleans and are to be tried out here. Thru a process in which heated oil and water is combined to furnish a smudge and steam, the pores of the weevil are closed and the insect cannot breath, according to Barber. It is claimed the machine will cover 20 to 25 acres a day at a cost of about two dollars for chemicals.

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695 POLL TAXES PAID IN MEXIA

R. D. Morgan, city secretary, reports 695 poll taxes paid to date. He stated that the office is in the middle of a busy season now as the time for the payment of taxes closes at 12 p. m. on next Thursday. All taxes then due at his office will become delinquent and penalties affixed. He urges that all persons attend to the payment of their taxes before the end of the time limit and thus save unnecessary trouble and extra money.

TORONTO, Ont.—Directors of the Rockefeller Foundation at their December meeting appropriated $1,100,000 for the University of Toronto Medical School and $500,000 for the Medical School of the University of Alberta.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Having this day purchased the casing pulling holdings of Homer C. Thrift in the Mexia field and surrounding districts, we are taking this method of announcing to the public that we are assuming the responsibility for all obligations, including the payment of all bills presentable and approved from date, accruing from the operation of the machine known as the "Thrift Machine" now operating in the Mexia field.

We wish to further advise that the business will continue to be conducted under the same capable management as directed by Mr. Thrift, and that we will appreciate a continuance of the support extended him by the various firms operating in the above mentioned districts.

Our policy of "service above self" will continue to be maintained as here-to-fore and we take this opportunity of thanking the public for the splendid support extended us during the two years that we have operated here, and in soliciting your continued patronage during the coming year we feel that through the consolidation of the interests of the Thrift Company with the casing pulling interests of the Mexia Torpedo Company that we shall be in a better position than formerly to serve you efficiently.

Again thanking you for the patronage extended us in the past and soliciting whatever work you may have in our line in the future, we remain,

Yours for service,
Mexia Torpedo Company,
Signed: C. L. Brown, Mgr. 22-7

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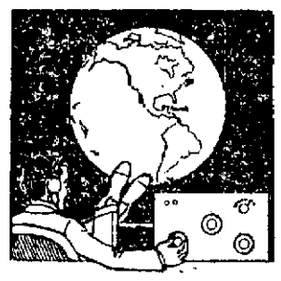

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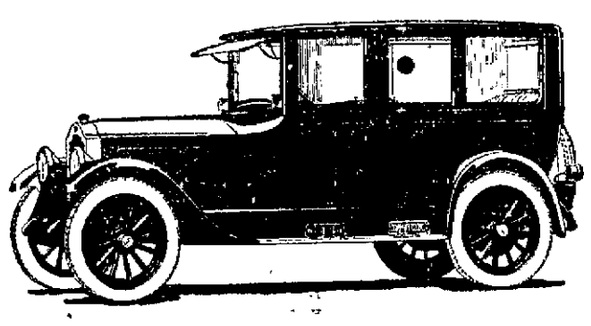

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LIONS TO HOLD TO ANNUAL BANQUET

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FORT WORTH.—Building permits issued during past month totaled $283,381.

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To the Sheriff or any Constable of Limestone County—GREETING:

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Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the said 1st day of the said March term of said court this writ with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand this the 15th day of January, A. D. 1924.

O. KENNEDY,
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INCOME TAX IN NUTSHELL

WHO?—Single persons who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net income of $2,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more must file returns.

WHEN?—The filing period is from January 1 to March 15, 1924.

WHERE?—Collector of internal revenue for the district in which the person lives or has his principal place of business.

HOW?—Instructions on Form 1040-A and Form 1040; also the law and regulations.

WHAT?—Four per cent normal tax on the first $4,000 of net income in excess of the personal exemption and credits for dependents. Eight per cent normal tax on balance of net income. Surtax from 1 per cent to 50 per cent on net incomes over $6.000 for the year 1923.

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1924 ELECTIONS

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For County Judge—
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For County Tax Assessor—
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R. W. STEEN
A. A. HYDEN.
For Tax Collector—
W. A. ROBBINS, (re-election.)
For County Treasurer—
H. C. FITZGERALD.
For Sheriff—
WHIT POPEJOY (re-election.)
For Commissioner Precinct No. 4—
JOHN M. KENNEDY, (re-election)

MAN ESCAPES FROM MEXIA CITY JAIL

A man who had been confined in the city jail by officers of Mexia on a charge of drunkeness, effected his escape Monday night by cutting through the iron bar which secures the door with a hack saw. As the man was placed in jail for only a day or until he could sober up the officers stated that there is something suspicious in the desire of the prisoner to make a get-away. They said that it was possible that the man was wanted on graver charges elsewhere.

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Railroading Players Out of Majors

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—Major league managers and club owners deny that they have among themselves a gentleman's agreement not to interfere with each other's trading activities by claiming useful players upon whom waivers have been asked.

From time to time, the fans, who have not access to the inside of baseball, find evidence that points to such an agreement. The players, who certainly are in a good position to hear back-stage talk, accused the club owners so directly with being willing to slide players out of the big leagues that they started to form a union a year ago to fight it.

When fifteen major league clubs recently allowed Elmer Smith, a .300 hitter, the champion pinch hitter of the American League and a fair fielding outfielder, to be slipped out to the American Association without a claim being made for him, it seemed strange, to say the least.

It was hard to understand why clubs in need of a reliable fielder and a hard hitter would offer big money to gamble on a minor league player when they would not accept for the waiver price a player of known ability.

Perhaps it was natural to figure that the Yankees wanted him to complete a deal with Louisville for young Combs, a rookie with two season's experience and that the other clubs acted on the agreement—"I'll not claim yours, if you'll not claim mine."

Beyond an abstract denial of charges that the old "railroad" was still working, only one club official would take the trouble to explain how such things could happen regularly as a part of routine business.

John McGraw, vice president and manager of the Giants, suggested that in the case of Smith several rival managers might have wanted to take him away from the Yankees, but they might not have been able to do it.

"Major league clubs are allowed to have only forty players on their list at any one time and just before the training season starts, it is seldom that a manager has a place on his team at a moment's notice," McGraw said.

It is a well known fact that the "forty player limit rule" is one of those rules that looks good on the books and that is respected only as a good looking rule by the baseball people. It is also believed generally that the rule never will prevent a club owner from taking on a player that he really wants.

There is more to another argument presented by McGraw, however, that frequently a fancy contract prevents one club from taking a player from another club, for even the low price of the waiver.

If Smith had a three or four year contract at a salary of $7,000 or $8,000 it is not likely that one of the club owners not in the wealthy class would care to assume the obligations of a contract—if they would consider a baseball contract as placing any obligations on the club owner.

With a lot of sound wisdom behind the point, McGraw also calls to mind that major league managers may know a lot more about the ability of players than the fans and the writers.

He points out that all managers are not in such a position financially that they can impose a burden on the payroll just to have a pinch hitter on the bench and that the title of "champion pinch hitter" is not as high meaning as it sounds.

A pinch hitter, it must be admitted, might finish the season with an average of .399 and yet he might not win a single game.

Marlin Test Is Called Dry Hole

MARLIN, Texas, Jan. 29.—Hughes No. 2 on the Westbrook land north of the Postoak area of production was declared a dry hole Thursday afternoon by Fred Allison, drilling contractor.

However, Mr. Allison said a showing of oil was encountered in the Hughes No. 1 east of No. 2, and that casing had been set in this hole with a view of doing everything possible to get production in paying quantities. He said the No. 1 showing was similar to that found in the Falvey-Reynolds-Chance well.

Giving his idea of the field, based on personal experience and reports from other wells, Mr. Allison said:

"At some time in the past, the great strata of limestone in which the oil is found, has been shattered by some gigantic disturbance. Cracks were formed and in these crevices oil is found. If the bit happens to penetrate one of the cracks, the chances are that it will find oil there.

"However, this limestone is not porous, as in the Luling field. If you do not hit a crevice, you find yourself in solid limestone and there is no pay oil in it.

"The cracks, believed to have been encountered by the Taylor No. 1, discovery well, and the Falvey-Randolph No. 1, contained oil, in which was found a putty-like substance, at first believed to be sand, but it was learned later that this surmise was incorrect."

Allison says he believes a deep test in an effort to pick up the woodbine sand would be worth while in the Postoak field."

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Cisco Wildcat Is Producing

CISCO, Texas, Jan. 29.—The A. L. Mayhew's Luse well, situated just south of the city limits of Cisco, which came in a producer Saturday week, flowed after slight drilling. With the bit only a few feet in the sand, and the drillers marking time awaiting the pipe line connections, it is with some difficulty the oil is being kept in the hole, as it is rising nearer the top every hour. The controls were released, and the oil allowed to flow for 20 minutes before it was shut off. In that space of time the storage tank registered 50 barrels.

There were fully 500 visitors to the well during and after the flow was made, and great interest is being manifested. No correct estimate of the production has yet been made, but oil men place it from 1000 to 1500 barrels. A conservative estimate likely will be around 500 barrels, though the indicated flow would place it at a much larger production. All oil men who have visited the well say it is the wildest one that has been brought in since the sensational wells of three and four years ago in the Eastland field.

One of the most interested men here from other places is W. F. Charbonneau of Fort Worth, who not only is interested in this well directly, but has other interests in the Eastland field. Others are here and all are endeavoring to secure acreage for development, as the Luse lease has proven a vast body of very valuable wildcat stuff.

Earl Beeler and associates have contracted to drill a well on the George Huesties tract, five miles west of Cisco, drilling to commence within 60 days. This tract is only about one mile and one-half from the Robert-Murphy wells, which are yet in an incomplete state, though good showing was discovered around 3000 feet. In the Huesties lease Beeler hopes to pick up the sand at 1700 feet, a showing of oil having been found in the Luse at this depth. Geologists have traced this sand from Putnam to connect with the Lake sand at Eastland. Material is now being placed on the Huesties lease for the Beeler well.

Weather Against Leap Year Marriage

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 30—A leap year—but without much leaping.

Figures in the office of Albert Townsend, county clerk, show this condition to be prevalent in Houston.

Towsend attributes the backwardness of the girls to the weather.

"It takes pretty moonlight nights to make the marriage License business good," he said. "We've been having too much rainy weather."

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 29.—A strong plea for the ex-service man was made in a speech by William Jennings Bryan here last night when he denounced the war-time profiteer and declared the soldier should be paid a bonus.

"When election time comes, some 4,000,000 soldiers will have a chance to make a reply," Bryan said with reference to the administration's stand on the question of taxation as adjusted compensation.

The commoner declared he was not on a political tour adding, however, that he would like to be a delegate to the Democratic national convention this year.

PALESTINE.—Contract awarded for construction of 10 miles of concrete highway.

East Texas Now On Verge of Big Oil Development

NACOGOCHES, Texas, Jan. 29.—Careful observers of the drilling campaign now going on in East Texas believe that big developments will follow within the next 30 to 60 days.

The Southwestern Petroleum company's No. 1, two miles north of Garrison, is drilling in hard lime at 3495 feet. This concern is equipped with the very latest and best drilling machinery, and is well financed. It is after what is believed is the "mother pool," which geologists have said existed somewhere in this county.

The Producers association's No. 1, drilling at 2000 feet on the Mathhews tract, in the heart of the Nacogdoches shallow field, has been shut down since December 15, on account of fuel and bad roads. Work will be resumed on this well shortly.

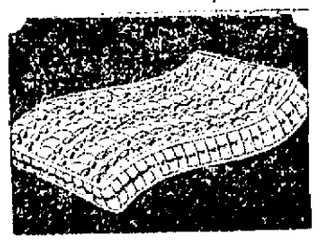
The Tecula well, nine miles north of Jacksonville, which is being drilled by Heine & Co. of Lancaster, Pa., is down 4230 feet, with the bit in hard sand rock. This concern is prepared to go down until both Nachitoches and Woodbine sands are reached.

The Collitan well, four miles northwest of Ponta, Cherokee county, has recently received 4000 feet of new 6¼-inch casing, which is to be set at once and the hole tested. This well penetrated the Austin chalk at 3143 feet. It is generally understood about Jacksonville that this well is on the Woodbine sand.

The well near old Caladonia, and only a few miles from the Southwestern Petroleum association well at Garrison, had a blowout at 400 feet. The derrick has been skidded a few feet and another hole started. The new well will be drilled with gas from the blowout. Caladonia is in Rusk county.

NOTICE

The city taxes will become delinquent after January 31st. A 10 percent penalty will be attached to all taxes after that date. Office of City Tax Collector will remain open until 9 o'clock p. m. from now until Feb. 1st. R. D. Morgan, City Secretary. 28-4



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Temple Lines Up Ball Club

TEMPLE, Texas, Jan. 30.—Committees at work on plans to raise funds to organize a Temple baseball club and obtain the franchise offered Temple in the Texas association reported encouraging progress at a meeting last night. The plan is to incorporate for $5,000, one committee to raise half of the money in large amounts and the rest to be sold in stock in small denominations.

The first committee reported that it had obtained $1,800 without having encountered any opposition or discouragement and expected to raise its $2,500. The committee will see all prospects today if possible and it is now likely, according to leaders, that Temple will have its club.

"We won't make much money and we won't lose much," said one, "but we will surely have something doing and have a lot of fun out of it. It is possible that we can have a big season and make some money but we are not going into it for that."

Marlin Fans To Support Batters

MARLIN, Texas, Jan. 30.—A meeting of the stockholders of the Marlin Baseball club and others interested will be held in chamber of commerce headquarters at 7:30 o'clock Saturday for the purpose of discussing plans for the 1924 season.

Several other towns are bidding for places in the Texas association and as there is only one vacancy caused by dropping of Sherman some action must be taken right away.

Marlin fans had to put up $8100 last season, the expense running that much above income exclusive of over $500 cash on hand and an additional $1500 to be paid by Dallas in event Chatham, Gressett and Andrews make good. Of the $8100 raised $6100 was by stock subscription, while the remaining $1900 came from a loan by several public-spirited citizens in the closing days of the season to cover losses sustaining at that time. It will be noted that the approximately $500 on hand and the $1500 due from Dallas would carry the club through the season. With especial reference to money put up, the fans have park improvements, uniforms, equipment, a ball club, franchise and charter.

Many From Here To Hear Bryan At Waco Next Friday

Former Secretary of State Wm. J. Bryan, following a two-day duck hunt of the Texas coast, is scheduled to reach Waco early Friday morning, for the lecture that will be delivered by him here on the afternoon of February 1. Mr. Bryan will be joined in Galveston for his udck hunt by Gov. Pat M. Neff.

Two addresses will be made here next Friday by Mr. Bryan, one at the luncheon to be given at 12:15 noon by the Waco Bar association, and the other in the afternoon, in the Auditorium. His subject in the afternoon will be, "Is the Bible True?" This will deal with the present controversy between modernism and fundamentalism.

Quite a number in Mexia have been listening, every opportunity to his addresses while in Texas and many from here will go to Waco on the occasion of his visit there.

Praise has been quite general on the part of those who have listened in on him.

HENDRICKS GOES TO MARKET CENTERS

Frazier Hendricks of the W. A. Jackson Company is now on his annual Spring buying tour of the big market centers of New York. With an optimistic outlook ahead of Mexia, he is making every endeavor to secure a stock of goods for his company, far superior to any he has ever bought before. The results of his trip will prove interesting.

YOUNG LADY ARRIVES

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Lamless have a new girl in their home. The pretty little Miss reached there Tuesday, January the 29th.

Pay your poll tax.

NEW SPRING CLOTHES

—We have just received our first shipment of new clothes for Spring wear. They are being opened up and placed in stock ready for your selection tomorrow.

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Parent Teachers Purchase Pianos For City Schools

The Parent Teachers Association of the Mexia Schools has purchased three pianos for use in the city schools One of these instruments will be used in the McKinney Street Grammer school, one in the Sumpter Street Grammer School, and a Baby Grand for use in the High School, is the other.

ITS A BOY

Born to Mr. and Mrs. William Rogers of this city, a splendid baby boy who arrived in their home Tuesday of this week.

WICHITA FALLS.—Shappel Oil Company brings in 250-barrel wildcat well one mile north of Moliday.

600 PRODUCERS AT POWELL, CHECK SHOWS

In round numbers there are now 600 producing wells in the Powell field and 48, drilling above the sands. The daily production is expected to show a decided increase within a week.

A shallow well on the Harvard lease came in at a depth of 900 feet with a shallow flow of oil and 1,000,000 cubic feet of gas per day.

RESUME WHARTON TEST

WHARTON, Texas, Jan. 30.—After a shut down of several days, due to rains, the Gulf Production company resumed drilling on the test well No. 2, near Boling. This well is about 3 miles east of Wharton. The bit is now down 500 feet, with several good showings of oil, and a rush of gas which knocked some of the workmen out the second time.

Thursday will be the last day in which to pay poll taxes.

The air-tight can keeps Snowdrift as *sweet* and *fresh* as the day it was made.

Have you seen the Electrical Appliances on Display at the Demonstration Home?

If not, a visit to the Home solely for their inspection will be time well spent.

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TEXAN TO HELP PROBE TEA POT SCANDAL

New Highway Law Declared Unconstitutional

Vested Rights Impaired Says District Judge

GROESBECK, Texas, Jan. 30.—Judge A. M. Blackmon today declared the new highway law unconstitutional, thus upholding the petition for an injunction presented by the Commissioners Court of Limestone County to the 77th Judicial District Court.

Judge Blackmon's court ruled that chapter 75 of the 38th legislature, passed at the regular session of the Texas law making body, violated the provisions in Section 35, Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas in that it legislated that funds held incongrious to each other and was subject to numerous other criticisms levelled at the aforesaid law by the attorneys in the petition. Among those mentioned were the impairment of vesetd rights, a bridging of privilege attached thereto which had heretofore been acquired by Limestone county and road district number 15. Several of the provisions contained in the bill were not expressed in the charter.

The court ordered the tax collector to pay no more money of the funds derived from the registration of automobiles than he was authorized to pay out under the law as established period to the act of the 38th legislature.

The defendants gave notice of appeal.

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—Mrs. Charlotte Leland "merely imagined" the intimate relations she described between herself and Rev. Carl D. Case, pastor of the First Baptist church of Oak Park, Dr. H. Douglass Singer, alienist, testified in court here. Dr. Singer who studied the woman, during, before and after her testimony, alleging intimate relations with Rev. Case said he believed she suffered from "delusions," and hallucinations.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 29.—Approximately 8000 arrests in three weeks as compared with 5000 during the entire month of January 1923 is the record of General Smedley D. Butler's rejuvenated policemen established since the director of public safety took office on January 7, according to police officials.

HOUSTON, Texas.—Marked "hold for the chief," a man in jail here refuses to give his name. "Sure I know my name but I won't tell you," he told coppers.

Only one more day to qualify as voter in 1924.

Hughes Demonstration Home Open To Public

Murderer Of Boy Seeks New Trial

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 30.—H. G. Twyman, former commandant of the training school at Gatesville, convicted of murder in connection with the death of Dell Thames, 15, inmate of the school, and sentenced to ten years, will be given another trial. The court of appeals reversed the judgment of the district court. Twyman is charged with having choked the youth to death.

Fights "Cookie Pushers" as U. S. Diplomats.

Hugh Gibson, long in the American diplomatic corps and now U. S. Minister to Poland, appearing before the House Committee on Foreign Affairs urged passage of the Rogers bill for reorganization of the diplomatic and consular services. "White spats, tea drinkers and cookie pushers" should be eliminated, he asserted.

THE WORLD IN TABLOID

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 29.—Herman L. Kline, soldier stationed at Fort Benning, Ga., is a lonesome young man and admits it. In a letter to Mayor Louis Blaylock, Kline asked that official to have his plea for Texas girls to correspond with a lonesome soldier, placed in local newspapers. It was.

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—Will Hays, movie czar and postmaster general in the Harding cabinet never heard the Teapot Dome naval reserve lease discussed at any cabinet meeting he attended.

"I have no recollection what ever of the matter being discussed at any cabinet meeting which I attended," Hays said.

WICHITA FALLS, Texas.— F. D. Woodruff, pioneer oil operator was found dead in his home here late Tuesday. Woodruff apparently had been dead for several hours. Two gas fires were burning and a coroner's verdict decided that Woodruff had died from the effects of carbon monoxide gas given off by the stoves.

WHITERIGHT, Texas.—Officers today were investigating a mysterious attack on Frank Montgomery, farmer near here who was called from his home Monday night and shot at by a man in an automobile. None of the six shots struck Montgomery. A few hours later, Montgomery found a month old baby abandoned on his door steps.

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—Jane Harvey and Herbert Valentine were apprehended at the Union Station leaving for Washington in the first leap year elopement. Herbert said Jane proposed. Jane is 4 and Herbert 3½ years of age.

AMARILLO.—20,000 acres to be planted to cotton for coming season.

Will Question Her on Peace Plan.

Miss Esther Everett Lape, member in charge of the Bok Peace Plan Award, has been summoned to appear before a United States Senate Committee that will investigate the motive behind the Bok award of $100,000 for a plan whereby America may aid in the peace of the world. Miss Lape was Publicity Manager in Gifford Pinchot's campaign for Governor of Pennsylvania in 1922 and before that was prominent as a writer, teacher and propagandist.

Clarke Calls Klan 100 Per Cent Un-American In K. C.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 30.—If the Ku Klux Klan is allowed to continue as at present it will create a monarchy in the United States, E. Y. Clarke, former imperial wizard, declared in a speech here last night. Clarke was appealing for all Klansmen to attend the national conference in Atlanta, Feb. 26, at which overthrow of the present regime and reorganization will be attempted.

Clarke said the Klan is "100 per cent un-American."

SHOTS AND A BABY GREET WHITEWRIGHT MAN

WHITEWRIGHT, Teas. — Greeted by a fusillade of shots when he went to investigate noises in front of his home, Frank Montgomery found a month's old baby on his doorstep. A car from which the shots were fired sped away when he came to the door.

CHICAGO.—"Speed is what I need," Benjamin Betrowski laughed when police arrested him for speeding while drunk. "Fifteen days in jail is what you get," Judge O'Connell said.

Delphians In Charge Next Three Days Everyone Is Urged To See Model Place

The Hughes Demonstration Home is this afternoon thrown open for the inspection of the general public and everyone is urged to visit the place during the next three days. The ladies of the Delphian chapter have taken charge of the home thru these three days and will be glad to show everyone through the model structure, which is the center of many admiring eyes.

W. K. Boyd, President of the News Publishing Company, has worked hard to have everything in readiness and the home and its environs reflect painstaking care in every particular.

The structure contains five rooms, a hall, bath room, breakfast room and has assumed the proportions of an ideal home.

The John R. Corley and J. I. Riddle furniture companies have furnished the place for inspection purposes, while extra electrical appliances and conveniences have been placed on display during the next three days by the Comuunity Power and Light Company.

The arrangement of the home is especially attractive while nothing has been left undone to add to the convenience and comfort of those who may reside there. It represents a permanent asset to Mexia. The more like it in this city, it is well known, the better will the community be.

Not only are members of clubs, organizations and the local schools urged to inspect the property, but farmers and citizens living elsewhere.

The home was built for demonstration purposes, to show the cost of home building of this type and what such a place should rent for when completed.

It is doubtful if there is another home in Mexia the same size as this one which reflects modern ideals in a home more than in the Hughes demonstration home. The money for which was supplied by J. K. Hughes of this city, President of the Lions clubs.

The public will be received today, Thursday and Friday.

The ladies of the Delphian chapter have agreed to act as a reception committee to demonstrate the home. For this The News is to pay them $20.00 which Mr. Boyd points out is to be used in buying books for the Mexia Public Library. The home will be open each morning during this period and every afternoon until 5:30. Mr. Boyd states that he will arrange to have it open one night, possibly Friday night, and the public is also invited on that occasion.

A temporary plank walk has been laid to the Ross Avenue pavement.

In front of the home are concrete sidewalks, which also lead to the garage. The lot has been beautifully terraced and outside conveniences added, easily making the place home within the $4500 dlass and which is to rent for a little less than $50.

Whether one contemplates building a home or not, he is urged to see the place.

The committees in charge are as follows:

Wednesday afternoon: Mrs. Sanford Smith, Mrs. T. H. Hickman and Miss Corinne Desenberg.

Thursday morning: Miss Cathercene McGrail, Mrs. Wilmer Hamilton.

Thursday afternoon: Mrs. Ed Measles, Mrs. Wyatt Hayter.

Friday morning: Mrs. Ben Howard and Mrs. Grey Forrest.

Friday afternoon: Mrs. T. F. Morrow and Mrs. Lawrence Hearne.

LIEUTENANT GRIFFIS FREED AFTER SERVING PERIOD FOR TRYING TO KIDNAP SLACKER

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—Corliss Hoover Griffis, former American army lieutenant, who was jailed in Gremany following his attempt to kidnap Grover C. Bergdoll, draft dodger, was unconditionally released, a State Department official was advised. Griffis served several months of a twenty one months jail sentence.

Republicans Are Called To Meet Early in February

BROWNSVILLE, Teas, Jan. 30.—R. B. Creager, republican national committeeman, issued a call for a meeting of the Texas republican executive committee February 4. About fifty leading republicans were invited to meet with the committee.

CLEBURNE, Texas.—Three million dollars will be spent by the Santa Fe railway on extending and improving the company's properties here, according to plans of the company recently announced. Nearly 700 employes will be added to the company's payroll of 1800 when the enlargement of the shops is completed.

Former Cabinet Member Says He Accepts Duty

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 30.—Gregory announced that he had accepted appointment as special counsel to investigate the oil scandal and will leave for Washington tonight. He was notified of his appointment by President Coolidge, who called him over the long distance telephone. The friends of Gregory say that although he is a democrat he will not adhere to party lines in the investigation.

Silas H. Strawn, of Chicago, was named as Gregory's associate in the inquiry, according to dispatches here from Washington.

Anything that ought to be said about the matter will come from Washington," Gregory said.

Gregory stated he received a telegram from the attorney general's department Tuesday inviting him to come to Washington and that he would leave tonight "to see what they want me to do."

Gregory is scheduled to have a conference with State Attorney General Keeling this morning. This conference will be concerning Gregory's services as counsel for the State in the United States Supreme Court litigation over the Texas-Oklahoma boundary.

U. S. Concludes Oil Fraud Cases

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 30.—With the sentencing today of Butler Perryman, president of the Blue Bird Oil Company, who pleaded guilty to charges of using the mails to defraud in promotion of the concern, the Government's prosecution of oil fraud cases in South Texas will be at an end.

Perryman is scheduled to receive his penalty from Federal Judge J. C. Hutchinson at 10 a. m. in Federal District Court.

S. E. J. Cox and E. O. Glenn, only promoters who elected to fight the charges were found guilty late Monday and sentenced yesterday. Seven others implicated in frauds pleaded guilty and have been sentenced.

George E. B. Peddy, who has been acting as special prosecutor for the Government, plans to leave Houston within a few days for Washington where he will lead his fight to contest the senatorial seat of Earle B. Mayfield, victor over him in the elections of 1922.

FIGHTS AND FIGHTERS

NEW YORK.—Terry Marin, Providence bantamweight, and Bobby Wolgast, Philadelphia, went 12 rounds to a draw.

BOSTON.—Johnny Wilson, former middleweight champion, won a 10-round decision from Pal Reed, Boston light-heavyweight.

ATLANTA.—Young Ctribling, Columbus, Ga., light-heavyweight, outpointed Billy Shade, California, in a slow 10-round bout.

MONTREAL.—Jack Johnson, former heavyweight champion, has signed to meet Homer Smith, Michigan heavyweight here on Feb. 19. Johnson passed the medical examination.

MacDonald And French Premier Work Together

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—The exchange of personal letters between Premiers Poincare and MacDonald, in an effort to smooth out the differences between the two countries is being watched with great interest, as possibly denoting a new era in diplomacy. It is recalled that after years of formal exchange between the United States and the Mexican governments, President Harding conceived the idea of writing personally to President Obregon to get at the seat of the difficulty with the result of recognition being extended.

MRS. OATES FIRST WOMAN TO ANNOUNCE FOR OFFICE IN COUNTY OF LIMESTONE

Mrs. Lula Oates, in seeking re-election as County Treasurer, is the first woman to enter the race for office in Limestone County this year.

She is a twin sister to J. D. Arrington of this place and is a member of a pioneer family, with a long and honorable record in Limestone county. Her acquaintance and friendship have been increased through her public services and at all times she has made friends because of her pleasant manner in dealing with the public.

Mrs. Oates is not making the race simply because she is a woman, but on merits which the citizenship knows she possesses in meeting the responsibilities of the important office which she now holds and which she aspires to hold again.

"Low Political Motive" Is Charged By Creager

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Jan. 30.—R. B. Creager issued a formal reply to Senator Heflin's charges that he used his political influence to stifle the investigation of land frauds in the lower Rio Grande valley. Heflin introduced the resolution with the "lowest political motives." Creager said. The whole affair rose over his efforts to protect legitimate land companies from persecution by the Department of Argiculture. The department, Creager said, issued a letter over emphasizing the valley's defects, without calling attention to its good points, and he and others protested and had the letter withdrawn. He wanted the valley pictured in its true light, he said.

Mexia Chamber Of Commerce To Give $1,000 In Prizes For The Best Cotton Production To Farmers Of Section

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Mexia Chamber of Commerce held in the office in the City Hall on Tuesday afternoon, January 29, it was decided to circulate a petition to raise a sum sufficient to give $1,000 in prizes for the best cotton production.

The agricultural committee composed of Cox Brodnax, chairman, Roy H. Stokes, J. W. Stubenrauch was given charge of the contest and the secretary was instructed to proceed at once to raise the necessary subscription. It was decided that this being the first year that prizes of this kind were offered, that it would be wise to limit the prizes to cotton production only, and in competing for the prizes, it was tentatively decided that tracts of five acres should be taken as basis of competition, and that the prizes would range from $250.00 (the capital prize) down to $25.00, making 16 prizes in all.

The rules of the contest will be left to the agricultural committee and will be promulgated at as early a date as possible.

A resolution was passed endorsing the establishment of the Mexia Weekly Herald and a plan was offered the Chamber of Commerce by the Mexia Weekly Herald, making a very low rate on club subscriptions, and simultaneously with the list of subscriptions on the cotton prize, the secretary will circulate a subscription list having as its object complimentary subscriptions to the Mexia Weekly Herald to every farmer on the Mexia rural routes. o

A resolution was passed declaring all the pastors of the city to be honorary members of the Chamber of Commerce and the secretary was instructed to so advise them.

A. H. Berry was present and submitted a letter from Hon. Luther A. Johnson, representative in congress, regarding the introduction of a bill in congress providing for an appropriation to build a postoffice in Mexia. Mr. Johnson requested certain information in this letter which the secretary was instructed to furnish him, and the secretary was instructed to thank Mr. Johnson for his interest in the situation and to co-operate with him in every way possible in his effort to secure this appropriation.

Medical Experts To Examine Fall And Report Condition

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—The Senate committee decided to appoint three medical experts to determine the condition of A. B. Fall. This follows the testimony of Fall's physicians, who said he is suffering from nervous exhaustion. Senator Walsh said unless the Senate confirmed the appointment of special counsel, he would oppose paying them out of the $100,000 appropriation recommended for the task.

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HOME BUILDING

The Home Building Association secured for this community, through the cooperation of local citizens and a local board, is certain to have a successful run in Mexia. Already, according to George Bell, local representative of the company, a number of applications have been presented and in a short while it is hoped that new homes will be in process of construction as a result of this cooperation.

Whether the Association will be able to go far enough to assure a building campaign on a wide and safe schedule is yet to be determined. The Association has succeeded elsewhere, but this success has been largely brought about by the assistance of a supplementary service which enables a prospective builder to secure an additional loan by which the larger loan is secured. J. K. Hughes stressed this feature when the matter was being considered. The committee of citizens were of the opinion that one bridge should be crossed at a time. They crossed the first bridge when they secured the Association for Mexia. Now they are face to face with the second bridge, which is a local project entirely. Right here at home, plans must be made to provide money for buildings outside of that secured by a loan from the Association, and for which second liens may be taken. Even automobiles are sold today usually with first and second liens on them. The same plan is proposed for home construction.

PROS HAVE JUST BEGUN FIGHT SAY PROS TODAY

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—Prominent "drys," divines, reformers and rectors of leading New York churches and other supporters of the Anti-Saloon League flocked today to the support of its State superintendent, William H. Anderson, convicted by a jury last night of forgery in the third degree.

"This is just the beginning of a great prohibition fight in this State," Dr. Charles Ross, pastor of Anderson's Central Methodist Church in Yonkers, declared.

Throughout the city, as news of Anderson's convicion spread, opinion was unanimous that there was more to the case than the technical forgery charge.

Bless the boys on the jury," exclaimed a ruddy faced traffic policeman at a Fifth avenue crossing and even the women attending the Kansas Society dinner at the McAlpin, supposedly natives of one of prohibition's parent states, agreed:

"Anderson's conviction was a good thing."

The Anti Saloon League superintendent faces a sentence from two and a half to five years imprisonment.

Anderson was found guilty of ordering alterations in the books of he Anti Saloon League to cover a transfer of $1,400 paid to the superintendent by O. Bertsall Phillips in accordance with an agreement whereby part of the latter's commissions were split "50-50." Phillips, discharged by Anderson without notice, went to the district attorney with the story.

The jury was out an hour and forty minutes and found Anderson guilty on the second ballot.

Ex-Governor Whitman, the defendant's counsel, was to announce today his decision regarding an appeal. Anderson meanwhile was freed on $5,000 bail.

"William H. Anderson has been a traitor to his cause," said Fannie Hurst, novelist, when informed of the conviction. "It seems unfortunate that at the crucial period following prohibition when the whole movement seems to be hanging in the balance and found wanting that this serious blow should have fallen on the Anti-Saloon movement."

Others beside Dr. Ross and Miss Hurst seemed to see more to the affair of Anderson than meets the eye.

Dr. Christian F. Reisner, pastor of Chelsea Methodist Church, said:

"I am still convinced that while Anderson may have been foolish, he is not a crook or a grafter. He had given his life as a hard fighter against the saloon and naturally he has made bitter enemies."

Then there was the reaction of the other side—Mrs. Ida Mott Gillett, wife of Ransom H. Gillett, counsel for the Association Opposed to Prohibition, exclaimed:

"Isn't that splendid!"

A & M FILLING MORE

COLLEGE STATION, Texas, Jan. 30.—Many new extensions, increases and developments of the A. & M. College of Texas have given it much greater usefulness to the people of Texas in the past year, President W. B. Bizzell is reporting in his annual accounting to the Board of Directors which has been released for publication.

In that period of time the college had a total enrollment of all classes of students of 3490. Of this number 1757 were degree students. This was increase in total number of students of 626. The demonstration work of the Extension division of the college was greatly increased, fifteen counties voting for employment of county farm agent work and twenty-one for home demonstration work for the first time. Progress was made by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, research division of the institution, in its study of plant and animal diseases, research and findings in the economics of farming and ranching, development of new plant strains, determination of feeding values and related lines of research. Progress of physical development was indicated in the building of the new administration building for the Extension Service at a cost of $150,000 and the establishment of the agricultural and citrus fruit experiment station in the Rio Grande Valley out of the appropriation of $50,000 made by the last legislature. Emphasis is placed conspicuously on the increasing number of contracts that the college is making for dissemination of the valuable information assembled at the college. The report shows that every county and almost every organization identified with Texas agriculture and industrial enterprise is receiving assistance from some division or deparment of the college.

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 29.—"If you were just a piece of human driftwood, I wouldn't waste my time on you, but you are a man of great ability. You have prostituted that ability."

Such was the statement of Judge J. C. Hutchinson in federal court here to S. E. J. Cox, oil promoter, whom he sentenced for using the mails to defraud. The court told Cox he was led astray by his ego.

Only one more day to qualify as voter in 1924.

RED PEPPER FOR COLDS IN CHEST

Ease your tight, aching chest. Stop the pain. Break up the congestion. Feel a bad cold loosen up in just a short time.

"Red Pepper Rub" is the cold remedy that brings quickest relief. It cannot hurt you and it certainly seems to end the tightness and drive the congestion and soreness right out.

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The moment you apply Red Pepper Rub you feel the tingling heat. In three minutes the congested spot is warmed through and through. When you are suffering from a cold, rheumatism, backache, stiff neck or sore muscles, just get a jar of Rowles Red Pepper Rub, made from red peppers, at any drug store. You will have the quickest relief known.—(Adv.)

THE EDITORIAL OF THE DAY

OUR $500,000,000 GOLD BRICK

(The New York World)

Down to the year 1924 the human race continues to be gullible. The desire of the human race is to get something for nothing, to get rich quick, to win a place among the elect who do not have to work by some sleight-of-hand applied to finance. Some pick pockets, some rob banks, second stories and railroads. Some lie back and dream in the fashion of the story-teller who invented the Arabian Nights. Some print fake stock and sell it.

Others, neither criminal nor completely idle, buy this fake stock in the hope of bonanza returns. Of this latter class there must be a great many, for in the United States alone in the year 1923, according to Secretary Mellon, a half billion dollars was paid out to sharpers by investors who never saw their money again, nor ever will. Mr. Mellon is shocked at the credulity of his fellow citizens, as well he may be, and makes a few suggestions in a booklet entitled "How to Save Your Earnings." The rules might be boiled down very easily into one: Never take a chance.

It is good advice. While the ancient urge to get something for nothing persists, people will go on floating shoe-string companies, and those who know better will take the bait. But finding out about such enterprises by personal experience is a form of education which costs annually just about half the National expenditure for all other public education. It is too much. Education of any sort is valuable, but this particular sort of instruction comes too high.

CITIZENSHIP

Thought for the Day

By A. Garland Adair

ANCESTRAL FAITHS

Thomas Watt Gregory, U. S. Attorney General under the Wilson administration, before the Southern Society of New York in 1915 delivered an address on "Southern Types" from which the following Citizenship Thought is extracted:

"There are many things of which we as a people may well be proud; but in his heart of hearts, the real Southerner cherishes respect for women, admiration for truth and personal courage, and contempt for money as a prop to social elevation These have been our household gods—not always followed, but always honored.

"These thoughts have armed our statesmen in many a contest. They still constitute the world of "power;" they still develop men as in the olden time.

"Let me admonish you, therefore, not to forget and let not your children forget—the land from whence you came. Go back now and then, and, like Antaeus of old, draw new strength from contact with mother earth. Far away on some Sewanee River of youth the magnolia and jasmine still bloom, the wild rose still climbs the zig zag fence, and the simmon seed and sandy botton still nourish the 'possum and yellow yam. There the lamp of hospitality still burns and the light of good fellowship shines, and within the family circle are still cherished those ancestral faiths which have helped to make a nation great."

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 29.—"I know judges who sit on the bench and drink whiskey in their homes and then try liquor cases." Federal Judge W. H. Atwell declared in passing sentence here on two young men for possession of liquor. "But there will be a time when people will shudder at those who do wrong and when it will be wrong to buy. Now people buy and don't want anybody to wnow it."

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 29.—The likeness of George Washington which has been adorning the walls of the executive office in the state capitol building since 1913 is to be removed because the state legislature failed to appropriate money to pay for the portrait. The artist has sold the painting in New York and it is to be removed to that city.

Employment of children increased 38 per cent in 1923.

CALLED MEETING OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS

There will be a called meeting of Mexia Chapter No. 131, Royal Arch Masons, tonight at 7 o'clock for work in the M. M. and P. M. degrees. Officers are urged to be present promptly, and visitors will also be welcome.

M. B. WEBB, H. P.

GIVE PARTY TO FORCE POLL TAX PAYMENTS

BLOOMINGTON, Texas, Jan. 30.—Bloomington ladies have found a way to force voters to pay their poll tax.

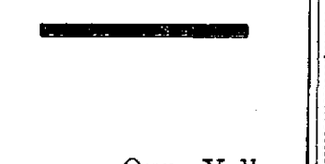
Ladies o fthe Protestant league gave a poll tax party Friday night, to which every man and woman who could show a poll tax receipt for the present year were invited.

The number present indicated that more than the usual number had secured their receipts.

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 29.—Auxiliary police may be organized here to help regular police enforce traffic laws because of the wave of accidents here last week resulting in five deaths and injuries to more than a score. In case the organization is effected, police commissions will be issued to responsible persons granting them authority to arrest speeders and other violators of traffic ordinances.

CLARKSVILLE.—Installation of $40,000 sewage disposal plant started.

Thursday will be the last day in which to pay poll taxes.



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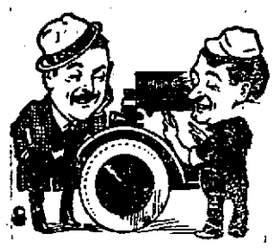
Prayer meeting services will be held at the Methodist church this evening at 7:15. Immediately after the service choir practice will be held. The new pipe organ is being installed and Choir Director, Mrs. Oscar Denning, urges all singers in the church to join in the work of the year. With the improvements being made on the church, the membership is anxious to make this the best year in every department of church life. A strong choir is effective to this end, it is pointed out.

BEAUMONT.—$826,000 contract awarded for construction of Neches river bridge.



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HACKNEY TEST IS BEING WATCHED

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CORSICANA.—Plans perfected for erection of 5-story hotel costing $300,000.

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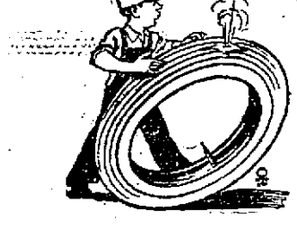

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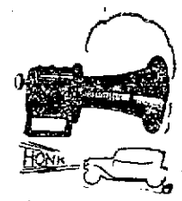

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STATEMENT OF GUY HERRING

Acting under the advice of my attorneys I have heretofore refrained from making a public satement regarding the criminal charge filed against me in court. It is true the attorneys for the State of Texas have dismissed said case but I have not been paid by the Farmers State Bank the money I deposited in the bank, and a civil suit is still pending in court over the money so deposited, and for this reason my attorneys still advise that I withhold my evidence until the trial of the civil case; however, they have assented for me to state that I will offer for probate at the March term, A. D. 1924 the following mentioned wills:

1. Will of my father W. H. Herring to my mother, Mrs. M. J. Herring dated August 10th, 1904, in which among other things, he uses this language: "I give to my wife, M. J. Herring all my live stock, one hundred acres of land and thirty thousand dollars in cash. The one hundred acres of land above referred to is located across the creek and known to us as the Jos Rich land. We have given all the children certain portions of our estate except the youngest child, the title to his portion however is by this instrument vested in his mother and will be handled by her in her own way, as a mother's love is the best guide."

2. Will of my mother, Mrs. M. J. Herring, to me dated February 7, 1919, in which, among other things, she states as follows:

"Fourth. Guy Herring being the youngest child, and a mere lad at the time of his father's death, there was no provision made for him before his father died."

"Fifth. Therefore, I hereby give and bequeath to Guy Herring all the money I may have at my death, the amount of which at the present time is forty-five thousand ($45,000.00) and no 100 dollars in currency, all of which is now in my possession."

The criminal case against me was not dismissed in time for me to give proper notice to the February term of Probate Court and for this reason the probating of said wills cannot be had until the March term

Now, I wish to state that I am absolutely innocent of the charge that was made against me and I have been ready and anxious for a trial in court ever since the same was so made, and I am still ready and anxious to be heard in any civil proceedings that may be necessary for the recovery of the money deposited by me in said bank.

I was not connected with said bank at the time of the alleged loss nor had I been for several months prior thereto and I heard nothing of such claim of loss by the bank until several weeks afterwards.

When the evidence I have in my possession is seen and heard in court I have no doubt of the result of the trial. I am not permitted to say more at this time, however, I ask you to please withhold your judgeemnt in this controversy until you know the facts that will be proven.

Humbly submitted,
Guy Herring.

OIL

The O. K. well 6 miles southeast of Teague is reported gassing with 3000 feet of mud in the hole. This well, as will be remembered, due to financial difficulties, among which was the need of casing, was shut down about 8 months ago. Arrangements have been perfected for 6⅝ casing and sufficient finances to complete the well. In preparing to resume work the crew was on the ground when a strong vapor coming up through 3000 feet of mud was noted and in the argument that ensued, it was found that the vapor wasn't "air" for a match quickly set fire to the vapor. Thus, gas was present in good quantity. The driller, Little, proposes to clean out the hole to the bottom of 8-inch casing, heretofore set, to a depth of 1628 feet and it is thought that no doubt something may ensue as the gas is thought to come from a very strong showing made at around 3000 feet before the shut-down at which time the driller recommended casing before going further, in fact, asked that casing be provided or get another man on the job. This well has long been drilling, slightly over three years—even before the Rogers well at Mexia, and at depths of 600, 800, 1200, 1600, 1800, 2200 and at the bottom of the hole, encountered many good shows of oil and a strong gas pressure, but as has been the case in Freestone county, heretofore, shallow pay wasn't sought. Only gusher sands were wanted. If a well could blow 3000 feet of mud, tools and make 10,000 barrels or less, it was sought, otherwise "no good."

The driller, being one of the old school, firmly believes in the well and will use every known effort to coax the well into production as it has shown heretofore. 6⅝ casing is being hauled to the location Wednesday and as a result thereof, it is reported that much lease activity is noted, mostly on the "q-t." A big play is expected for this well is 3 miles south of the Green well which for a time seemed to be about to enter the production column after a strong show of both gas and some oil.

Shirley and Gillespie interests in their Hackney-Weaver No. 1, 4 miles northwest of Teague is reported showing strong gas at about 1700 feet and as the bit penetrates deeper shows stronger signs. A core was to have been taken Tuesday night, but as yet, the results have not been learned. This locality has been very favorably reported by geologists, it has been learned from outside reliable sources and a big play is expected to ensue. These interests also plan a second test well within a short time, location, which will be announced.

The Keechi Petroleum company in their No. 1 Pickens, 20 miles southeast of Teague is reported to be ready to fish lost tools out of the hole Monday evening. On bailing the top of the fluid, each bail full shows quantities of oil and the early completion is expected very soon. These interests have made location for another well, to the west, between this well and the L. A. Smith No. 1 Edwards ranch. This well is located in the Saline formation found throughout the south and southeast portions of Freestone county and much shallow oil has been found but never tested and it is firmly believed that in the near future, shallow pools will be uncovered.

The Green well is reported drilling in very hard formation around 3800 feet.

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Leasing activities are becoming evident in the east part of the county. Geologists have just finished a survey on the block of acreage held by the Poole-McDaniels interests, and location made in the Butler area which has been boosted by Government surveys as likely for oil.

1924 will no doubt see the uncovering of several fileds in Freestone county.

Five New Tests Spudded; Three Flow at Laredo

LAREDO, Texas, Jan. 30.—With three producers added to the Laredo field last week and five new tests spudded together with the new posted price of 75 cents per barrel at the well by all pipe line companies, and with the probability of another boost of 10 cents per barrel within the next few days, the oil situation can be said to be improving rapidly. At this time Laredo has representatives of most of the major oil companies on the ground who are here for the purpose of investing in this territory. Last week the Magnolia Petroleum company purchased the holdings of True White et al and considerable acreage from the Wolcott company. The producing well and 40 acres belonging to Baker and Finley has been sold while many other large deals for proven acreage is pending. After the long period of depression for the oil man the present pulse of the situation is very encouraging. At this time there are two pipe lines running to the Aviator pool with the probability of the third line being added at an early date. This competitive buying is causing top prices to be paid to the local producers who were not getting top prices when only a single line ran through the field.

In the Schott pool, the Magnolia Petroleum company added another producer to its list, which now totals 16. No. 18 is being drilled in and from indications looks as if it will be a good producer. The new test of the Southwest Texas Oil company on survey 1008 which was spudded in last Thursday has reached the depth of 900 feet. The Carnahan Producing and Refining company test No. 9 which was drilled to about 2300 feet, has been abandoned. No. 56 of this same company is setting casing.

In the Aviator pool, G. W. Killan has spudded in No. 1 test on the Albercas grant owned by A. M. Bruni, while the Texical Oil company is drilling below 1750 feet, having gone below the depth that is usually productive at that particular point in the pool.

ROBBINS-HAMPTON

Last Saturday evening, E. J. Robbins of Groesbeck and Miss Ora Mae Hampton of this city were quietly married by Rev. W. B. Andrews, pastor of the First Methodist church. A few intimate friends accompanied them to the parsonage where they were married; the ring ceremony of the church being used. The bride is well known in Mexia where she has a host of friends won to her by her lovely charm. The groom is known throughout the county, being in the service of Limestone county at the Court House. They will make their home at Groesbeck. The News joins friends in extending congratulations.

JIM PRICKETT TO LEAD MEXIA LIONS FRIDAY

Jim Prickett will be in charge of the program for the weekly luncheon of the Lions Club at the Majestic Cafe next Friday. He promises a very interesting and instructive program having for its general theme, Physical Culture. As this subject is attracting more and more interest at this time its selection for the central theme of the next program is understood to be a timely choice.

PEN, PEN, WHO HAS THE PEN?

A tax collector has other duties besides taking in the money. He has to supply the pen occasionally and in rendering his fellow citizens this service Monday, Joe Arrington lost a Christmas gift fountain pen in the shuffle. He states that he will deeply appreciate it, if the one who unconsciously carried it away will return it. It was a Christmas gift from a very close friend, he says, and for that reason he is very anxious to secure its return.

THE WEATHER

East Texas.—Tonight partly cloudy, showers in the southeast; cooler in south. Thursday partly cloudy.

West Texas.—Tonight fair and colder in south. Thursday generally fair.

Local News

H. W. Dudley was here from Waco Monday.

G. F. Dyer was here Tuesday from Texarkana.

Maurice Landrum was here Monday from Waco.

Madison Holland, of Waco was in city Monday.

A. A. Dennison, of Texarkana, was here Monday.

Paul L. Brooks, of Corsicana, was in the city Tuesday.

Mrs. Rush Allison is up today after a brief illness.

W. C. Lamb was a visitor to the city from Navasota.

Paul F. Griffith was a visitor to Mexia Monday from Waco.

H. S. Wofford was a business visitor to the city from Coolidge Tuesday.

Mrs. J. K. Hughes is reported better today, after a few days illness in her home here.

John F. Maddox spent a couple of days of this week in Fort Worth visiting his daughter, Miss Josie Lee, who is there in school.

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If your nostrils are clogged and your head is stuffed because of nasty catarrh or a cold, apply a little pure, antiseptic cream into your nostrils. It penetrates through every air passage, soothing and healing swollen, inflamed membranes and you get instant relief.

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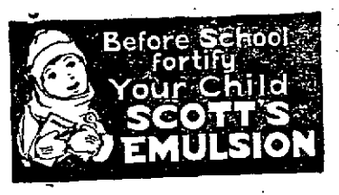

Mrs. Jesse McLendon has this week joined a great many who are ill in this community. Her early and complete recovery is hoped for.

DO YOU WONDER?

Asks This Lady, "That I'm a Believer in Cardui?"—Had Been So Weak She Had to Go to Bed.

Osawatomie, Kans.—Mrs. E. E. Hoast, formerly of Illinois, residing here, says: "We moved to this state eleven years ago, and I had good health for a long while; and then some year or so ago I had a bad sick spell. . . .

"I got so weak I couldn't go. I couldn't stand on my feet at all. I had to go to bed. I suffered a great deal. I was so nervous I felt I couldn't live. I tried medicines, and everything; had the best of attention, yet I wasn't able to get up. I lay for three months, not able to do anything.

"My husband is a bill poster and has circulars distributed. One day there chanced to be a Ladies Birthday Almanac among his circulars. I read it, and told some of the family to get me a bottle of Cardui. . . .

"I quit all other medicines and took it (Cardui) faithfully, and two weeks from the time I began to take Cardui I was out of bed—better than for months.

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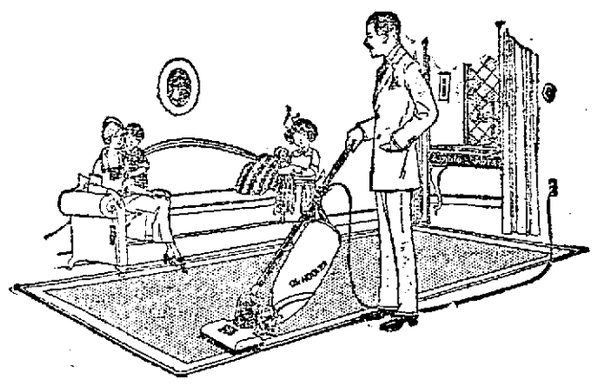

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Letters from People

THE HIGHWAY TAX LAW

There has been so much said recently for and against the present highway law that I feel like saying something more about it.

Every person that owns a car knows now that he is somewhat interested in the road law. If you want a man to sit up and take notice, just mention a tax to him and he will be interested immediately.

The tax question is the greatest question that confronts the American government today. It is also the greatest question that confronts our state government. The fact is, it has always been a live question in this country and in all other countries where the people are allowed a share in the government.

In our state, there are so many institutions to be supported by taxation and so many people clamoring for larger appropriations and higher salaries, that our legislators are continually looking around for some way to increase the taxes. Of course every fellow that has an ax to grind can see the absolute necessity of having the appropriation to his institution made larger and the d——l of it is, he always manages to make the legislators see it too.

I live on a little sandy land farm out here. I can think of many things that I need, some of which are absolutely necessary on this farm.

I can think of many other things that it would be nice for me to have; but I can't buy these things. I must do without, not only the little luxuries but many of the things that I actually need.

If I were to borrow money to buy all these things with, there would soon be a deficiency somewhere. People would soon say that I was either not honest or not a business man. There are many things that we can do without, and it is about time the members of the legislature were finding it out. There must be a limit to the rate of taxation somewhere. Fifteen years ago the taxes on this little farm was less than one-fourth of what they are now.

I believe a tax on automobiles for road purposes is right. It is certainly inflicting the punishment on the right fellow. I am inclined to believe that the punishment is too great. It would be fine if every hard working man could have a car for himself and family to enjoy; but they are not all able to own one. Now since the tax on the cars are being increased, and the taxes on the gas have made the fuel more costly, there are many poor people that can never hope to have a car to enjoy.

What will the ending be? If the next legisuature is as eager to raise taxes for roads as the last one was, every old farmer in this country will be required to buy a seal to put on his old wagon, and every washer-woman will have to have a seal on her old piece of buggy.

This wagon tax was mentioned during the last legislature and I have no doubt but that our representative would have voted for it.

He says now that if he were running for the legislature again he would favor the highway law and have it in his platform. I think, however, that the people in this county have learned to vote for the man and not for his platform.

This paper has had a great deal to say recently in favor of highway laws. Among other things it says that Limestone county has received something like one half million dollars from the state and federal road fund and have paid to that fund about $75,000.

I think it is fair just here to mention the fact that Limestone county will pay about $90,000 in auto taxes this year and next year and every year from now on and forever, Amen.

In the Mexia Daily News of Monday, Jan. 21 on the editorial page, I noticed an article headed: "Three Kinds of Reads in Texas."

It says: "Roads built for local needs should be paid for by the county. Highways that constitute a part of a state highway system should be be paid for by the state and the county. Interstate highways should be paid for by the county and the state and the federal government."

Now, Mr. Editor, let us look into this affair and see where the money comes from. If the county builds the road the people pay for it. If the state builds the road the people pay for it and if the federal government builds the road the people ultimately pay the bill. So when we talk of the state giving us money for road building, we can figure that the state must first collect it from its citizens and there is no getting aroud it.

Let us look into the manner of securing a state road through a county. I have just finished reading an article in The Dallas Morning News that illustrates the process. There were delegations from the following counties asking the highway commission to grant aid for roads in said counties; Potter county; Hall county; Fisher county; Jones county; Callahan; Hays; DeWitt; Karnes; Wise; Liberty Chambers; Fort Bend and several other counties.

The following paragraph appeared in said article: "Delegations were present asking a change of designation in the road from Austin to Llano and Mason. Formally it had been routed via Roundrock to Llano. The old designation from Austin through Leander to Llona and thence to Mason is requested. Judge A. S. Walker from Dallas, who owns a large farm near Leander, was here in support of the new petition."

Now I am guessing that since Judge A. S. Walker, a very prominent lawyer of Dallas, wants the road to go by his farm, that the commission will decide in his favor. It may cost $100,000 more but Judge Walker's influence may be worth something. There may be 100 farmers on the other route that need the road but I have found that a petition for little farmers don't get anywhere at Austin. It takes an influential politician or some wealthy bankers who have some kind of a pull, to get a favor out of these Bureaus at the capitol.

If all this money that was spent by these delegations in going to Austin to beg road money, had spent for road building, it would have built several miles of road. But that is the only way to get aid for roads. You must get on your knees before that commission and beg like a hungry pup before you get anything. They even treated a Dallas delegation with slight consideration at one time; but when they found that Dallas was determined to know how much maintenance fund they were to get before Dallas would turn loose the auto tax for this year, then they made an agreement with them.

A delegation went from Cherokee county asking for aid for a road; but Mr. Hubbard, the chairman of the commission, would not hear them. Why? Because Cherokee county would not let the tax collector send the auto tax to Austin until the validity of the law was tested. So you see the commission is using its big stick on the people already. The idea is that you must bow to the commission and grant them some favor before they grant you anything.

Then the Mexia Daily News thinks there is no danger of graft in this commission. Is it not a fact that the governors of several states have been ousted from office because of graft? Is it not a fact that there are investigations on nearly all the time in the states and even in the Congress of the United States because of graft? I am not saying that these fellows at Austin are grafters. I don't know a one of them. If I knew they were crooked I would be a fool to mention it. If there were complaints made against them they would appoint some of their own number to audit the books and whoever made the complaint would be branded the biggest liar in seven states.

I do not know whether there are

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$1.00
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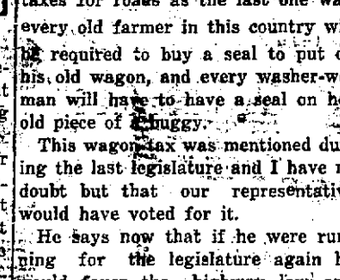

REPAIRING
"Hello, Old Sole
YOU LOOK YOUNG"
That's the way you'll greet your old Shoes when they return from Prickett's Shoe Shop "Fountain of Youth" for shoes. Your old shoes will be rejuvenated and made young again. Your shoes will have a new life. Don't throw them away—have them repaired at—
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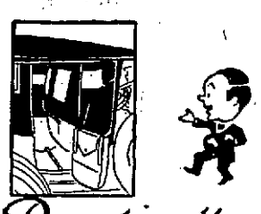
Opposite Post Office



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CURTAIN RODS FOR FORDS
These curtain rods for Fords are recent things.
Just attach them to the door of your For—the curtains are attached to the rods and the inconvenience of getting in or out of your car is eliminated.
Drive your Ford down and let us equip it with these rods.
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Candies
We have taken on a new stock of Pangburn's Bulk and Package Candies and have one of the best lines of Fresh Chocolates in the city at lb. 60c.
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In addition to our noonday lunches, we are now serving lunches for evenings.
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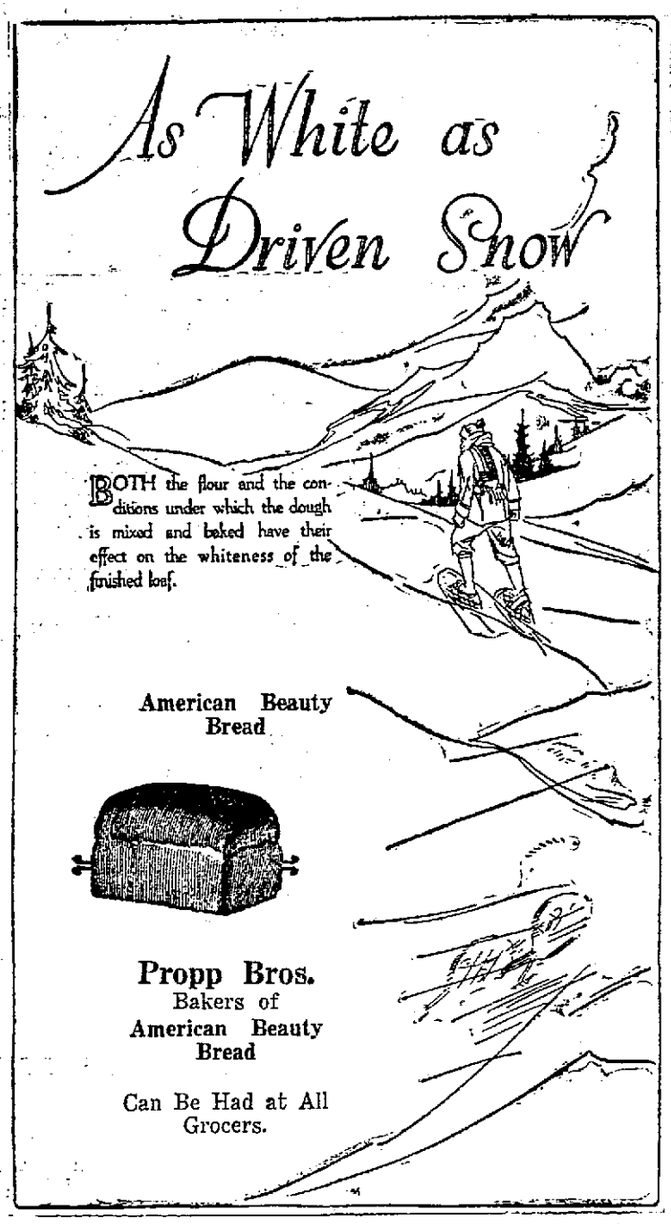
As White as Driven Snow



BOTH the flour and the conditions under which the dough is mixed and baked have their effect on the whiteness of the finished loaf.
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Quote me your lowest price.
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I have a large stock of all kinds of Heaters, Cook Stoves, Dishes, Aluminum Vessels of all kinds. In fact, I carry most anything to be found in a modern hardware store for the housekeeper.
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I sell the celebrated line of Oliver Implements. Peter Schuttler Wagons, Birdsell Wagons, Hercules Bug gies. I am headquarters for the good old handmade harness that wears like a pig's nose. The best collars, bridles and lines as cheap as good ones can be sold.
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Stoves and Racket Goods
AND BARKER'S FISH MARKET WILL MOVE
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One Half Block West from Present Location.

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There's no distress like widowhood! Particularly is this true where no money or estate is left for her surviving days.
Do you want to leave your widow, your mother or your children in that position? Are you going to impose upon their inexperience?
Come to us and let's talk it over. Let your Life Insurance policy be the protection policy. We have many interesting plans at moderate costs.
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I specialize in insurance on country property such as barns, dwellings and feed stuff.
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any grafters among them or not, but I do say that there is danger of graft in any institution where there is so much money handled; and those high up in society are no more free of evil than the evil class. It is said that American society is like a barrel of dutch cider. There is drugs at the bottom, scum at the top and the middle part represents purity. I do not know to which class the commission belongs.

I am opposed to the Highway law in its entirety. I do not think it just for the people in one county to pay taxes to build roads in another in every instance.

I am opposed to the new Highway law as a whole. The auto tax part of it may be all right. I do not think it just, in every instance for people of one county to build roads in another. There are wealthy communities in Texas that have absolutely refused to vote a tax to connect up the highways. Other communities have voted a heavy tax on themselves to build highways. They have bonds against their property that it will take years to pay off. Do you think it just for such communities to have to pay a tax now to build roads for neighboring communities? Dallas county has spent millions of dollars in building permanent roads. The people of Dallas had pride enough to want the roads and money enough to build them. Now, under the present law, they must pay a heavy tax to build roads in other counties. Some day that ought to help the people that are not able to build roads. Cities and counties are as individuals. Some have more pride and more thrift than others.

If you are going to exact money from the wide awake, energetic and thrifty counties and give it to the pauper counties; then let us carry this socialistic idea a little further and take the money away from the hard working and thrifty farmer and give it to his pauper neighbor.

I hope the highway law will be found unconstitutional. I believe each county can build its own roads more economically. I believe in local self government. Powers once delegated to some bureau at Austin will never be returned. Taxes are never lowered. We must learn to do without some things we would like to have, and I do hope the next legislature will be composed of highpowered, patriotic men who have pride enough in our state to try to get it out of debt. Not men who can hatch up some scheme to raise the taxes, but men who have the courage and strength of character to say no to those who want appropriations.

H. W. Tolson.

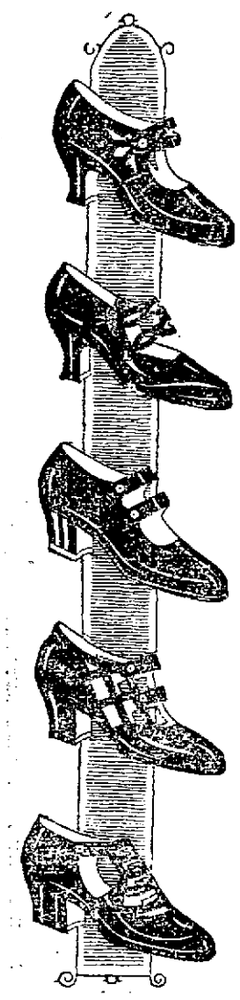
FEBRUARY SHOE CLEARANCE SALES

Begins Thursday January 31st.

ENDS THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7th

Our Annual February Clearance Sale of Shoes will begin tomorrow. This is an event of great importance to the populace of Mexia for it affords many lines of high quality shoes at prices which are quite a good deal lower than you ordinarily pay.

We have carefully gone through our stock and find many lines of good, stylish shoes with only two or three pairs remaining of a number. These odd numbers you will find on sale much cheaper than you may expect. We do this in order to clear our stocks and make room for the incoming Spring numbers. It will be sound economy for men and women to visit our store the opening day for it may be that just the shoe that you want will be on sale at prices which mean dollars saved by you.



Ladie's Shoes

—One lot of Preston B. Keith Sport Oxfords in brown calf and brown suede, $8.50 values for ---------- **$5.95**

—Log Cabin Brown Suede, short vamp, Spanish heel, ankle strap. Formerly priced $14.95; February Clearance sale-- **$9.95**

—Cinamon Brown Suede, short vamp, Spanish heel, formerly priced $12.00; February Clearance Sale price------ **$8.95**

—Log Cabin Brown Suede, brown calf tirm-medium vamp, baby Louis heel. Formerly priced $12.00; February Clearance Sale price ---------- **$8.95**

—Black Satin, one strap, suede trim, medium vamp, baby Louis heel. Formerly priced $11.50; February Clearance Sale-- **$7.95**

—Black Satin, three ankle straps, medium vamp, Spanish heel. Formerly priced $8.50; February Clearance Sale price-- **$5.95**

—Black Satin, patent leather trim, one strap, medium vamp, box heel. Formerly priced $8.95; February Clearance Sale price ---------- **$6.95**

—Log Cabin Brown Suede, one trap, Otter brown trimmings, short vamp. Baby Louis heel, formerly priced $9.95; February Clearance Sale price---------- **$7.95**

—Brown Kid one strap Log Cabin Brown, Suede trim, short vamp, Baby Louis heel. Formerly priced $9.95; February Clearance Sale price---------- **$7.95**

—Log Cabin Brown Suede and Satin Combination, one strap, short vamp, Baby Louis heel. Formerly priced $9.95; February Clearance Sale price---------- **$6.95**

—One lot of black satin, one strap, Baby Louis heels. $8.00 to $9.00 values; February Clearance Sale price---------- **$5.95**

—Sport oxfords in good standard brands, $7.50 and $8.50 values, will be on sale during February Clearance Sale at--- **$4.95**

—One lot of E. P. Reed Slippers in brown and black oxfords and straps, $10.00 values will be on sale during our February Clearance Sale at ---------- **$3.95**

—McElroy Sloan one and two strap patent and kid leather pumps, medium vamps, Baby Louis heels, values up to $6.95, February Clearance Sale price ---------- **$3.95**

Special Prices on EVERY SHOE in our HOUSE

Nothing Reserved

CLEARANCE PRICES ON

Men's Shoes

—Not a pair in our stock is reserved. Every-thing is reduced and placed on sale.

—One lot of men's Howard and Foster shoes, low cuts and high shoes, in all the different leathers and toes, worth $10 and $12.50 February Clearance Sale price ---------- **$6.95**

Men's Dress Boots Go!

—One lot of Men's Boots, $10.00 values, February Clearance Sale price- **$6.95**

—Men's Dress Boots, good leather, very fine for muddy weather, February Clearance Sale price ---------- **$9.95**

—Men's Witch Elk boots for work and dress, selling regularly at $17.50. During our February Clearance Sale at ---------- **$15.75**

W. A. JACKSON COMPANY

Dollar Day Thursday

Again comes our Dollar Day Sale, offering many lines of merchandise at unusual savings. Come to our store tomorrow and partake in this feast.

Hope Domestic 6 Yds $1

—Tomorrow we are offering you this reliable grade or hope domestic at 6 yards for---------- **$1**

Percale 8 Yds $1

—Just at the time that you need percale for your spring sewing we offer you this 36 inch lot in a nice range of wanted patterns at 8 yards for ---------- **$1**

Silk Pongee Yd $1

—One lot of beautiful quality pure silk pongee in natural color. Going on sale Dollar Day at per yard ---------- **$1**

Madras 3 Yds $1

—One lot of madras for making shirts, nice assotment of patterns which are sure to please you, 3 yards for ---------- **$1**

Ladies Hats on Sale

—Thursday we will sell one lot of ladies hats originally selling up to $14.95 for------- **$4.95**

Spring Hats

—A large assotment of ladies spring hats in the latest colors and shapes. Very specially priced at— **$4.95** and **$5.95**

Men's Shirts

—One lot of men's wool olive drab army style shirts, our regular $4.95 values, very special for our Dollar Day sale at each---- **$3.50**

—Our regular $3.50 values will be sold at---------- **$2.50**

Flannel Shirts

—Men's wool flannel shirts in a pretty assortment of patterns with attached collars and without collars. $4.95 values, very special for Dollar Day Sale at each---- **$3.50**

—$3.50 values, will go at each ---------- **$2.50**

Shirts and Drawers $1

—Men's heavy ribbed shirts and drawers, a good grade, very special for Dollar Day Sale at 2 for ---------- **$1**

Night Shirts $1

—One lot of men's outing night shirts made in a pretty assortment of colors andn of good grade material. Very special for Dollar Day sale at each ---------- **$1**

French Ginghams 3 Yds $1

—A beautiful lot of imported French ginghams in a wide range of colors most desirable for Spring sewing. Tomorrow very special at 3 yards for ---------- **$1**

Ginghams 6 Yds $1

—A big lot of good quality ginghams for making aprons and dresses. Assorted colors and widths. Very special for Thursday only at 6 yards ---------- **$1**

Ginghams 5 Yds $1

—32-inches wide in all the new spring patterns. Tomorrow very special at 5 yards for---------- **$1**

Unbleached Domestic

—One lot of the very best unbleachede domestic going in this Dollar Day Sale Thursday at 6 yards for ---------- **1$**

Bleached Domestic

—We are offering for Dollar Day only this lot of bleached domestic free from fillings at 8 yards for ---------- **$1**

Cretonnes 3 Yds $1

—A beautiful lot of cretonnes in assorted patterns that are sure to please you. Regularly selling at 50c per yard, tomorrow very special at 3 yards for---------- **$1**

PETTICOATS

Several dozen ladies' Petticoats in good quality sateen, pretty colors, reduced from $1.50 and placed on sale at each—

$1

Percale

—Percale in the new Spring colors and stripes. This new lot is 36 inches wide annd an unusual value at 5 yards—

$1

Towels

—One lot of large size towels 20x36, very best quality, tomorrow very best quality, tomorrow very special at 5 for—

$1

Unionalls

—Boy's khaki unionalls in a good quality and well made, very special for Dollar Day at each

$1

Men's Unions

—One lot of men's knit unoin suits, regularly selling at $1.50, tomorrow very special at each

$1

BOYS' HATS

—A pretty assortment of small boy's hats in good styles for school or dress wear. Very special for Dollar Day at each—

$1

W. A. JACKSON CO.

"THE STORE AHEAD"

COURT HOUSE NEWS

Business is a little dull around the court house this week, as the district court has adjourned for the term and candidates are mostly out among the people.

The tax collectors office, however was busy with lines of people standing awaiting their turns to step up and get their receipt. About 5000 poll tax receipts had been issued up to noon Tuesday, but this number will be materially increased before Thursday night when the time limit will expire.

In the county clerk's office there is a new addition to the clerical force, Miss Pauline McClellan of Coolidge, being now on duty.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

J. R. Moody and Cyntha Johnson.
Wilber Story and Gladys Williams.
Arthur Roblow and Euic Hemphill.
Claude Mann and Pauline Burleson.
Clarence M. Foster and Willie Mae Ramsey.
Herndon H. Flake and Miss Florence Lett.
Clyde C. Webb and Louise Hay.
Timothy Gilbert and Lillie Willis.
E. J. Robbins and Miss Ora Mae Hampton.
Dopha Lee and Pearl Roden.

BIRTHS FOR THE WEEK

To Mr. and Mrs. Simon Castleberry of Thornton, Jan. 20, a girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. Walter Atlee Tyus of Mexia, Jan. 21, a boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Clark Ayers of Kosse, Jan. 21, a boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jas. B. Cox of Lavender, Jan. 24, a girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ray of near Groesbeck, Jan. 21, a boy.

Only one death was recorded the past week, being that of Andy Holloway, colored, aged 60, of Mexia, who died Jan. 20.

One civil case was filed in the county court the past week, being Washer Bros. Corp., vs H. H. Sanders.

Mrs. Cora Fergerson, county superintendent says she has been too busy visiting the schools over the county the past few days to devote much time to her canvas for re-election, but she wants her friends to remember that she is in the race and hopes to win.

Mrs. Lula Oates, county treasurer, is kept busy paying off when court is in session, but she thinks she will have a little time later on to see the people and tell them that she wants the office for another term.

THAT DOLLAR BILL

The story of the one dollar bill, printed in 1917 to relieve an existing shortage of currency, appears to have been set at rest. The contention of zealots that certain engraving on the bill was designed with the idea of making the note Catholic propaganda has been dispelled by former Secretary of the Treasurer McAdoo, who states that the plates were the same as were used in 1863, when the note issue was first authorized.

It is well to have this matter cleared up. Stories of this sort grow with the telling and out of just such trivial and unsubstantiated reports often grow religious prejudices the ultimate results of which cannot be predicted.

There are days when it's as hot in Stockholm, Sweden, as it is in Rome or Fadrid.

MARSHALL.—Campaign launched for construction of $50,000 hospital.

Having Trouble Getting A Man Electrocutioner

HUNTSVILLE, Texas, Jan. 30—Wanted—An electrocutioner.

Members of the State Prison Commission have hung out this sign after several weeks of vain effort to find a man qualified to act as Warden of the state penitentiary and electrocute condemed prisoners.

Meanwhile the span of life of four men who are to be shocked into eternity on Feb. 8 mey be lengthened again thru the inability of the officials to secure an official "butcher."

Twice before the men have made preparations to meet death. The first time they were respited when installation of the electric chair in the prison was not completed.

The second time the resignation of Warden R. F. Coleman blocked their death. Governor Neff, rather than force a new warden to kill the men on his first day at the prison, granted them a repreieve until February 8.

Members of the commission have appealed to the Governor to select a man. They say they are at their rope's end.

Meanwhile in the death chamber of the Gaunt Gray prison here the yawning arms of the death chair stretch towards "Death Row" where the span of four men's lives hangs on the answer to the advertisement:

"Wanted—An electrocutioner."

VICTORIA, B. C.—The mineral production of British Columbia for 1923 shows an increase of 12.8 per cent over that of 1922.

ITS A BOY

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Evers are rejoicing over the arrival Sunday of a beautiful baby boy. Congratulations.

NOTICE

Patterson Jewelry Co. is now located next door to Karner & Phillips. Not connected with repair shop in Shulz building in any way.

We Launder with Care The Clothes You Wear

You want them to look just so. Men and women who seek care in Laundry work should investigate ours. You will notice a higher quality in all our work—particularly shirts—fine shirt waists and other garments that require skill and care.
Let us call for your Laundry this week and we'll show you what high class Laundering and excellent service we offer.

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NEW-WAY LAUNDRY

To Kill The Boll Weevil by Machin'ry

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 30—A new machine now being constructed at New Orleans will be tried out in Dallas county this summer in an effort to eradicate the boll wevil, according to E. L. Barber, of the Barber Entomological Laboratories at New Orleans.

Thirty five experimental machines are being constructed at New Orleans and are to be tried out here. Thru a process in which heated oil and water is combined to furnish a smudge and steam, the pores of the weevil are closed and the insect cannot breath, according to Barber. It is claimed the machine will cover 20 to 25 acres a day, at a cost of about two dollars for chemicals.

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Mexia Daily News
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695 POLL TAXES PAID IN MEXIA

R. D.Morgan, city secretary, reports 695 poll taxes paid to date. He stated that the office is in the middle of a busy season now as the time for the payment of taxes closes at 12 p. m. on next Thursday. All taxes then due at his office will become delinquent and penalties affixed. He urges that all persons attend to the payment of their taxes before the end of the time limit and thus save unnecessary trouble and extra money.

TORONTO, Ont.—Directors of the Rockefeller Foundation at their December meeting appropriated $1,100,000 for the University of Toronto Medical School and $500,000 for the Medical School of the University of Alberta.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Having this day purchased the casing pulling holdings of Homer C. Thrift in the Mexia field and surrounding districts, we are taking this method of announcing to the public that we are assuming the responsibility for all obligations, including the payment of all bills presentable and approved from date, accruing from the operation of the machine known as the "Thrift Machine" now operating in the Mexia field.

We wish to further advise that the business will continue to be conducted under the same capable management as directed by Mr. Thrift, and that we will appreciate a continuance of the support extended him by the various firms operating in the above mentioned districts.

Our policy of "service above self" will continue to be maintained as here-to-fore and we take this opportunity of thanking the public for the splendid support extended us during the two years that we have operated here, and in soliciting your continued patronage during the coming year we feel that through the consolidation of the interests of the Thrift Company with the casing pulling interests of the Mexia Torpedo Company that we shall be in a better position than formerly to serve you efficiently.

Again thanking you for the patronage extended us in the past and soliciting whatever work you may have in our line in the future, we remain,

Yours for service,
Mexia Torpedo Company,
Signed: C. L. Brown, Mgr. 22-7

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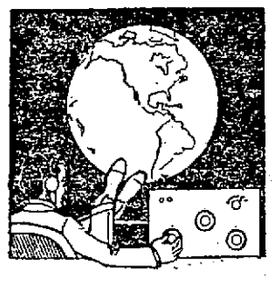

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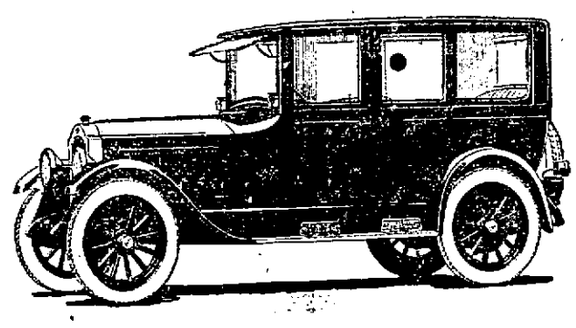
Integrity and Service



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It may take a little self denial for you to start a bank account, but we believe you are one of the "luck" ones who is going to do it.

Come in today.

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The Day's Opportunities As Told In The Classified Ads

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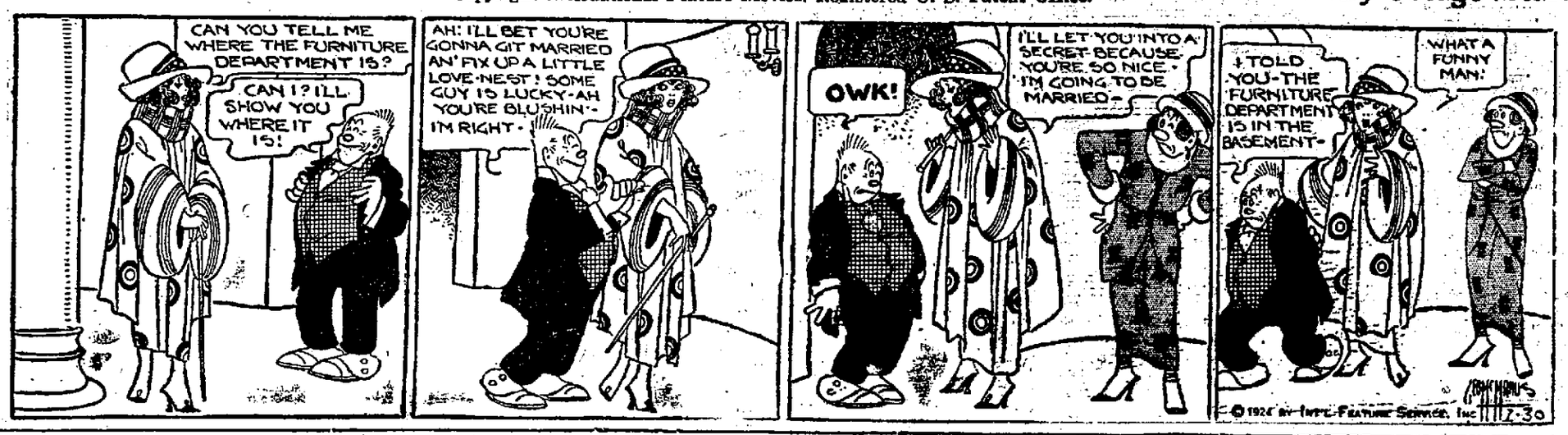
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WANT TO BUY—J. K. Hughes Developing Company, E. L. Smith Oil Company, Mexia Heart of Pool Royalty Company, Powell Five Hundred. Jesse McLendon, room 1 McLendon Building, Mexia, Texas. 18E30

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WACO, Texas, Jan. 30—Though unarmed when a holdup man walked into his confectionery and commanded him to "stick 'em up," W. R. Ludwig wasn't daunted.

Instead he seized several milk bottles and laid down a barrage.

His aim was better than the bandits and the latter fled without a cent of loot.

LIONS TO HOLD TO ANNUAL BANQUET

According to Jere H. Cason, secretary of the local Lions Club, the Club would announce later the exact date and the place of their annual banquet. He stated that the date would more than likely be between the 19th and 23rd of February.

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15	Dallas Ft. Worth	3:44 p. m.
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37	Dallas Ft. Worth	5:14 a. m.
17	Dallas Ft. Worth	4:35 a. m.
19	Dallas Ft. Worth	3:55 a. m.

South bound—

346	To cut-off	7:00 a. m.
16	Houston San Antonio	11:45 a. m.
32	From Dallas	10:08 a. m.
38	Austin San nAtonio	12:21 a. m.
18	Houston San Antonio	1:37 a. m.
20	Houston San Antonio	12:16 a. m.

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North.
No. 8—3:25 p. m.
South.
No. 7—12:55 p. m.

FORT WORTH.—Building permits issued during past month totaled $283,381.

THE STATE OF TEXAS:

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Limestone County—GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to summon C. A. Riley by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return to me hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the Justice Court in and for Precinct No. 4, of Limestone County, Texas, to be holden in the Court House thereof at Mexia on the second Tuesday in March, A. D. 1924, the same being the 11th day of March, A. D. 1924, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1924, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 828 wherein A. L. Griffin is plaintiff and C. A. Riley is defendant, said petition alleging that plaintiff, at the special instance and request of defendant, performed certain labor for him at the agreed price of Ten Dollars ($10.00) per month, and that said services were performed under said contract for a period of four months at the total agreed price of Forty Dollars ($40.00) for which plaintiff sues defendant, and for Twenty Dollars ($20.00) additional as attorney's fees incurred by plaintiff in the prosecution of this suit.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the said 1st day of the said March term of said court this writ with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand this the 15th day of January, A. D. 1924.

O. KENNEDY,
Justice of Peace,
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INCOME TAX IN NUTSHELL

WHO?—Single persons who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net in come of $2,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more must file returns.

WHEN?—The filing period is from January 1 to March 15, 1924.

WHERE?—Collector of internal revenue for the district in which the person lives or has his principal place of business.

HOW?—Instructions on Form 1040-A and Form 1040; also the law and regulations.

WHAT?—Four per cent normal tax on the first $4,000 of net income in excess of the personal exemption and credits for dependents. Eight per cent normal tax on balance of net income. Surtax from 1 per cent to 50 per cent on net incomes over $6.000 for the year 1923.

CANDIDATES

Announcements

1924 ELECTIONS

LIMESTONE COUNTY

For District Judge, 77th Judicial Dis.
C. H. MACHEN
For District Clerk—
ELLIS DICKERSON.
M. A. AINSWORTH.
For County Judge—
H. F. KIRBY (Re-election sought)
JOHNSON WAKEFIELD
For County Tax Assessor—
TOM M. CAIN
R. W. STEEN
A. A. HYDEN.
For Tax Collector—
W. A. ROBBINS, (re-election.)
For County Treasurer—
H. C. FITZGERALD.
For Sheriff—
WHIT POPEJOY (re-election.)
For Commissioner Precinct No. 4—
JOHN M. KENNEDY, (re-election)

MAN ESCAPES FROM MEXIA CITY JAIL

A man who had been confined in the city jail by officers of Mexia on a charge of drunkeness, effected his escape Monday night by cutting through the iron bar which secures the door with a hack saw. As the man was placed in jail for only a day or until he could sober up the officers stated that there is something suspicious in the desire of the prisoner to make a get-away. They said that it was possible that the man was wanted on graver charges elsewhere.

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Railroading Players Out of Majors

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—Major league managers and club owners deny that they have among themselves a gentleman's agreement not to interfere with each other's trading activities by claiming useful players upon whom waivers have been asked.

From time to time, the fans, who have not access to the inside of baseball, find evidence that points to such an agreement. The players, who certainly are in a good position to hear back-stage talk, accused the club owners so directly with being willing to slide players out of the big leagues that they started to form a union a year ago to fight it.

When fifteen major league clubs recently allowed Elmer Smith, a .300 hitter, the champion pinch hitter of the American League and a fair fielding outfielder, to be slipped out to the American Association without a claim being made for him, it seemed strange, to say the least.

It was hard to understand why clubs in need of a reliable fielder and a hard hitter would offer big money to gamble on a minor league player when they would not accept for the waiver price a player of known ability.

Perhaps it was natural to figure that the Yankees wanted him to complete a deal with Louisville for young Combs, a rookie with two season's experience and that the other clubs acted on the agreement—"I'll not claim yours, if you'll not claim mine."

Beyond an abstract denial of charges that the old "railroad" was still working, only one club official would take the trouble to explain how such things could happen regularly as a part of routine business.

John McGraw, vice president and manager of the Giants, suggested that in the case of Smith several rival managers might have wanted to take him away from the Yankees, but they might not have been able to do it.

"Major league clubs are allowed to have only forty players on their list at any one time and just before the training season starts, it is seldom that a manager has a place on his team at a moment's notice," McGraw said.

It is a well known fact that the "forty player limit rule" is one of those rules that looks good on the books and that is respected only as a good looking rule by the baseball people. It is also believed generally that the rule never will prevent a club owner from taking on a player that he really wants.

There is more to another argument presented by McGraw, however, that frequently a fancy contract prevents one club from taking a player from another club, for even the low price of the waiver.

If Smith had a three or four year contract at a salary of $7,000 or $8,000 it is not likely that one of the club owners not in the wealthy class would care to assume the obligations of a contract—if they would consider a baseball contract as placing any obligations on the club owner.

With a lot of sound wisdom behind the point, McGraw also calls to mind that major lague managers may know a lot more about the ability of players than the fans and the writers.

He points out that all managers are not in such a position financially that they can impose a burden on the payroll just to have a pinch hitter on the bench and that the title of "champion pinch hitter" is not as high meaning as it sounds.

A pinch hitter, it must be admitted, might finish the season with an average of .999 and yet he might not win a single game.

Marlin Test Is Called Dry Hole

MARLIN, Texas, Jan. 29.—Hughes No. 2 on the Westbrook land north of the Postoak area of production was declared a dry hole Thursday afternoon by Fred Allison, drilling contractor.

However, Mr. Allison said a showing of oil was encountered in the Hughes No. 1 east of No. 2, and that casing had been set in this hole with a view of doing everything possible to get production in paying quantities. He said the No. 1 showing was similar to that found in the Falvey-Reynolds-Chance well.

Giving his idea of the field, based on personal experience and reports from other wells, Mr. Allison said:

"At some time in the past, the great strata of limestone in which the oil is found, has been shattered by some gigantic disturbance. Cracks were formed and in these crevices oil is found. If the bit happens to penetrate one of the cracks, the chances are that it will find oil there.

"However, this limestone is not porous, as in the Luling field. If you do not hit a crevice, you find yourself in solid limestone and there is no pay oil in it.

"The cracks, believed to have been encountered by the Taylor No. 1, discovery well, and the Falvey-Randolph No. 1, contained oil, in which was found a putty-like substance, at first believed to be sand, but it was learned later that this surmise was incorrect."

Allison says he believes a deep test in an effort to pick up the woodbine sand would be worth while in the Postoak field."

Pay your poll tax.

Cisco Wildcat Is Producing

CISCO, Texas, Jan. 29.—The A. L. Mayhew's Luse well, situated just south of the city limits of Cisco, which came in a producer Saturday week, flowed after slight drilling. With the bit only a few feet in the sand, and the drillers marking time awaiting the pipe line connections, it is with some difficulty the oil is being kept in the hole, as it is rising nearer the top every hour. The controls were released, and the oil allowed to flow for 20 minutes before it was shut off. In that space of time the storage tank registered 50 barrels.

There were fully 500 visitors to the well during and after the flow was made, and great interest is being manifested. No correct estimate of the production has yet been made, but oil men place it from 1000 to 1500 barrels. A conservative estimate likely will be around 500 barrels, though the indicated flow would place it at a much larger production. All oil men who have visited the well say it is the wildest one that has been brought in since the sensational wells of three and four years ago in the Eastland field.

One of the most interested men here from other places is W. F. Charbonneau of Fort Worth, who not only is interested in this well directly, but has other interests in the Eastland field. Others are here and all are endeavoring to secure acreage for development, as the Luse lease has proven a vast body of very valuable wildcat stuff.

Earl Beeler and associates have contracted to drill a well on the George Huesties tract, five miles west of Cisco, drilling to commence within 60 days. This tract is only about one mile and one-half from the Robert-Murphy wells, which are yet in an incomplete state, though good showing was discovered around 3600 feet. In the Huesties lease Beeler hopes to pick up the sand at 1700 feet, a showing of oil having been found in the Luse at this depth. Geologists have traced this sand from Putnam to connect with the Lake sand at Eastland. Material is now being placed on the Huesties lease for the Beeler well.

Weather Against Leap Year Marriage

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 30—A leap year—but without much leaping.

Figures in the office of Albert Townsend, county clerk, show this condition to be prevalent in Houston.

Towsend attributes the backwardness of the girls to the weather.

"It takes pretty moonlight nights to make the marriage License business good," he said. "We've been having too much rainy weather."

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 29.—A strong plea for the ex-service man was made in a speech by William Jennings Bryan here last night when he denounced the war-time profiteer and declared the soldier should be paid a bonus.

"When election time comes, some 4,000,000 soldiers will have a chance to make a reply," Bryan said with reference to the administration's stand on the question of taxation as adjusted compensation.

The commoner declared he was not on a political tour adding, however, that he would like to be a delegate to the Democratic national convention this year.

PALESTINE.—Contract awarded for construction of 10 miles of concrete highway.

East Texas Now On Verge of Big Oil Development

NACOGOCHES, Texas, Jan. 29.—Careful observers of the drilling campaign now going on in East Texas believe that big developments will follow within the next 30 to 60 days.

The Southwestern Petroleum company's No. 1, two miles north of Garrison, is drilling in hard lime at 3495 feet. This concern is equipped with the very latest and best drilling machinery, and is well financed. It is after what is believed is the "mother pool," which geologists have said existed somewhere in this county.

The Producers association's No. 1, drilling at 2000 feet on the Mathhews tract, in the heart of the Nacogdoches shallow field, has been shut down since December 15, on account of fuel and bad roads. Work will be resumed on this well shortly.

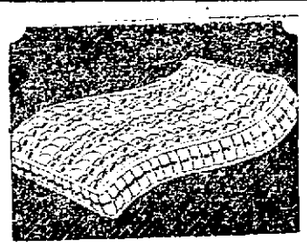
The Tecula well, nine miles north of Jacksonville, which is being drilled by Heine & Co. of Lancaster, Pa., is down 4230 feet, with the bit in hard sand rock. This concern is prepared to go down until both Nachitoches and Woodbine sands are reached.

The Collitan well, four miles northwest of Ponta, Cherokee county, has recently received 4000 feet of new 6¼-inch casing, which is to be set at once and the hole tested. This well penetrated the Austin chalk at 3143 feet. It is generally understood about Jacksonville that this well is on the Woodbine sand.

The well near old Caladonia, and only a few miles from the Southwestern Petroleum association well at Garrison, had a blowout at 400 feet. The derrick has been skidded a few feet and another hole started. The new well will be drilled with gas from the blowout. Caladonia is in Rusk county.

NOTICE

The city taxes will become delinquent after January 31st. A 10 percent penalty will be attached to all taxes after that date. Office of City Tax Collector will remain open until 9 o'clock p. m. from now until Feb. 1st. R. D. Morgan, City Secretary. 28-4



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Temple Lines Up Ball Club

TEMPLE, Texas, Jan. 30.—Committees at work on plans to raise funds to organize a Temple baseball club and obtain the franchise offered Temple in the Texas association reported encouraging progress at a meeting last night. The plan is to incorporate for $5,000, one committee to raise half of the money in large amounts and the rest to be sold in stock in small denominations.

The first committee reported that it had obtained $1,800 without having encountered any opposition or discouragement and expected to raise its $2,500. The committee will see all prospects today if possible and it is now likely, according to leaders, that Temple will have its club.

"We won't make much money and we won't lose much," said one, "but we will surely have something doing and have a lot of fun out of it. It is possible that we can have a big season and make some money but we are not going into it for that."

Marlin Fans To Support Batters

MARLIN, Texas, Jan. 30.—A meeting of the stockholders of the Marlin Baseball club and others interested will be held in chamber of commerce headquarters at 7:30 o'clock Saturday for the purpose of discussing plans for the 1924 season.

Several other towns are bidding for places in the Texas association and as there is only one vacancy caused by dropping of Sherman some action must be taken right away.

Marlin fans had to put up $8100 last season, the expense running that much above income exclusive of over $500 cash on hand and an additional $1500 to be paid by Dallas in event Chatham, Gressett and Andrews make good. Of the $8100 raised $6100 was by stock subscription, while the remaining $1900 came from a loan by several public-spirited citizens in the closing days of the season to cover losses sustaining at that time. It will be noted that the approximately $500 on hand and the $1500 due from Dallas would carry the club through the season. With especial reference to money put up, the fans have park improvements, uniforms, equipment, a ball club, franchise and charter.

Many From Here To Hear Bryan At Waco Next Friday

Former Secretary of State Wm. J. Bryan, following a two-day duck hunt of the Texas coast, is scheduled to reach Waco early Friday morning, for the lecture that will be delivered by him here on the afternoon of February 1. Mr. Bryan will be joined in Galveston for his udck hunt by Gov. Pat M. Neff.

Two addresses will be made here next Friday by Mr. Bryan, one at the luncheon to be given at 12:15 noon by the Waco Bar association, and the other in the afternoon, in the Auditorium. His subject in the afternoon will be, "Is the Bible True?" This will deal with the present controversy between modernism and fundamentalism.

Quite a number in Mexia have been listening, every opportunity to his addresses while in Texas and many from here will go to Waco on the occasion of his visit there.

Praise has been quite general on the part of those who have listened in on him.

HENDRICKS GOES TO MARKET CENTERS

Frazier Hendricks of the W. A. Jackson Company is now on his annual Spring buying tour of the big market centers of New York. With an optimistic outlook ahead of Mexia, he is making every endeavor to secure a stock of goods for his company, far superior to any he has ever bought before. The results of his trip will prove interesting.

YOUNG LADY ARRIVES

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Lamless have a new girl in their home. The pretty little Miss reached there Tuesday, January the 29th.

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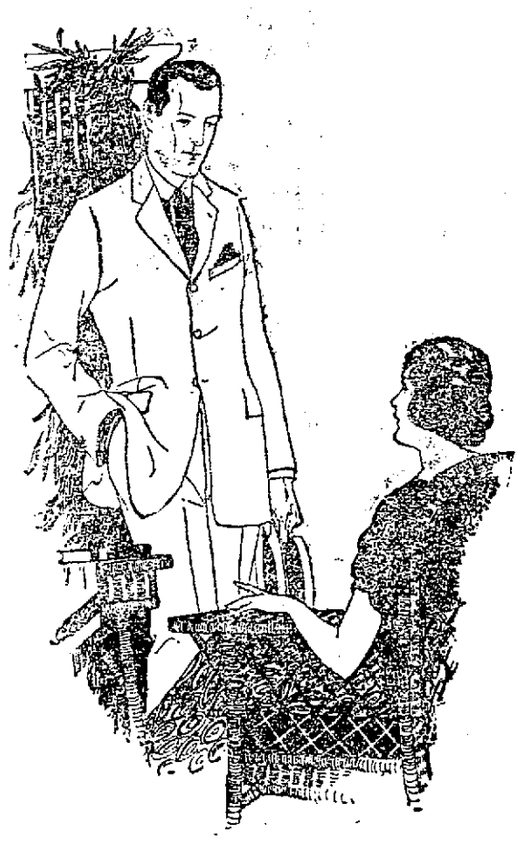

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Parent Teachers Purchase Pianos For City Schools

The Parent Teachers Association of the Mexia Schools has purchased three pianos for use in the city schools One of these instruments will be used in the McKinney Street Grammer school, one in the Sumpter Street Grammer School, and a Baby Grand for use in the High School, is the other.

ITS A BOY

Born to Mr. and Mrs. William Rogers of this city, a splendid baby boy who arrived in their home Tuesday of this week.

WICHITA FALLS.—Shappel Oil Company brings in 250-barrel wildcat well one mile north of Moliday.

600 PRODUCERS AT POWELL, CHECK SHOWS

In round numbers there are now 600 producing wells in the Powell field and 48, drilling above the sands. The daily production is expected to show a decided increase within a week.

A shallow well on the Harvard lease came in at a depth of 900 feet with a shallow flow of oil and 1,000,000 cubic feet of gas per day.

RESUME WHARTON TEST

WHARTON, Texas, Jan. 30.—After a shut down of several days, due to rains, the Gulf Production company resumed drilling on the test well No. 2, near Boling. This well is about 12 miles east of Wharton. The bit is now down 500 feet, with several good showings of oil, and a rush of gas which knocked some of the workmen out the second time.

Thursday will be the last day in which to pay poll taxes.

The air-tight can keeps Snowdrift as *sweet* and *fresh* as the day it was made.

Have you seen the Electrical Appliances on Display at the Demonstration Home?

If not, a visit to the Home solely for their inspection will be time well spent.

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